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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1636, September 27-October 3, 2012

Thu	0330	WRMI	9955
Thu	2100	WTWW	9479 [confirmed]
Fri	0329v	WWRB	5050 [confirmed]
Sat	0130v	WBCQ	5110v-CUSB Area 51 [confirmed at 0135]
Sat	0630	HLR	7265 Hamburger Lokal Radio
Sat	0800	WRMI	9955
Sat	1500	WRMI	9955
Sat	1630	HLR	7265 Hamburger Lokal Radio [as last week, unconfirmed]
Sat	1730	WRMI	9955
Sun	0400	WTWW	5745 [new frequency, ex-5755]
Sun	0800	WRMI	9955
Sun	1530	WRMI	9955
Sun	1730	WRMI	9955
Mon	0500	WRMI	9955
Mon	1130	WRMI	9955
Tue	0930	HLR	5980 Hamburger Lokal Radio
Thu	0330	WRMI	9955 [or maybe 1637 if ready in time]

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** ABKHAZIA. Radio of the Republic of Abkhazia or Govorit Sukhumi (Says [speaks] Sukhumi) - use these two declarations, had been heard since the beginning of the transfer in 0658 of the 3rd and 10th of September at a frequency of 9535 kHz. The program of the Abkhaz language under the name of Apsua Radio. Usually in Russian from 0800, but often end up in 0756 on the Abkhaz (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria. RusDX 23 Sept via DXLD)

** ALASKA [and non]. A couple loggings of USCG weather broadcasts on 2670 kHz:

2670 USB, USCG Kodiak AK NOJ, 9/24 0501-0504 UT, started with "Hello all stations...", into weather for Alaska area, then OUT. ID at beginning and end. Strong signal.

2670 USB, USCG Los Angeles CA NMQ, 9/24 0516-0520 UT, heard open mike once, then "Hello all stations`` with ID as USCG Los Angeles, into

Coastal Waters Forecast and then marine hazards like partially submerged vessel and bouy lights out. Strong signal.

Kodiak is reportedly not broadcasting these but I suspect they just aren't on a regular daily schedule. Los Angeles used to ID as Long Beach too. They are scheduled for 0503 UT but probably moved time due to Kodiak (Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, HQ-180A, ABDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

And no doubt there are many other USCG stations sharing time on 2670; I can remember years ago when they were in the AM mode (gh, ibid.)

** ALBANIA. Song about Radio Tirana --- On my recent visit to Italy I was surprised to hear an Italian song about R. Tirana. I googled it up for your listening pleasure http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=grlp3TZXMuk

As a listener to R. Tirana since when Enver Hoxha was still in power, I never accepted the new incarnation of this station with Balkan music instead of The Internationale in the end ;) This is not to mention that they abruptly shut down their huge Russian service in 1992 when many other E. European stations were just starting broadcasting in Russian. Cheers, (Sergei S., Sept 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 1650a, Radio GuaranÌ standing out 0614 past 0855 on measured 1650.13 on 1/9. SS vocals, improving after 0830 with clear SS idents 0840 and 0850 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. R. Nacional Argentina: Hoy de tarde en la banda de 49 m notÈ la falta de R. Nacional en 6060 kHz, pero hete aquÌ que en 6028.5 aproximadamente habÌa una emisora argentina con f˙tbol, horriblemente distorsionada. No me dio la paciencia para esperar una identificaciÛn, pero debiÛ ser R. Nacional. Supongo que ser· otra etapa de la falla del transmisor, ahora ya aparece corrida de frecuencia. Y espurios por todos lados por supuesto. 73, (MoisÈs Knochen, Montevideo, Uruguay, 0016 UT Sept 24, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

SÌ, es Radio Nacional y hay horas de la tardecita que entra hasta en los 5900 kHz para arriba, terrible. Hoy tampoco estaba en 6060 como reportÛ el colega MoisÈs desde Uruguay pero en en 6029 kHz habÌa una emisora que no se identificÛ pero parecÌa que fuera Radio Nacional, pero no coincidia con la emision de RAE que sÌ estaba en 15345 (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, ibid., via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 2368.48, R. Symban, Extremely weak but also peaking for 2 or 3 seconds every once in a while, once strong enough to hear music

at 0842. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 15340, 1454-, HCJB, Sep 22. Thanks to Glenn Hauser for reminding me of HCJB Australia on this frequency. Clearly audible under the very dirty and muffly signal of RHC. Often rising to almost equal strength. Listed in Nepali on Saturdays. I agree that it's now an easier target compared to years past. Apparently the antenna farm is far larger than before. 'You're listening to HCJB Global Voice, Melbourne Australia' at 1511 UT. Then in English, a Bible story. Some deep fades. Listed in English until 1530 (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Radio Australia will broadcast coverage of the AFL Grand Final on Saturday 29 September 2012 from 0430 to 0745 UT. It will be part of our regular Grandstand sports coverage. The coverage will be available on our HF (shortwave) and local FM relays, but it will not be available on RA`s web stream due to content rights limitations.

Our HF coverage will be as follows.
South Pacific - 11945 kHz and 15160 kHz
South-west Pacific - 12080 kHz and 15240 kHz
Papua New Guinea & West Pacific - 9660 kHz and 15415 kHz
South-east Asia - 17750 kHz

Reception may also be possible on 4835 kHz from the ABC domestic HF service at Alice Springs. 4835 kHz would be a good choice for land-mobile operators within 1,500 km of Alice Springs. Reception of 4835 kHz may be possible beyond 1,500 km.

Note: Reception of particular HF channels may be possible beyond the nominal target areas. Please try all frequencies to ascertain if reception is possible in your area.

Radio Australia Transmission Management
EOM (Nigel Holmes, Sept 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For those interested in this obscure football code, played in isolated pockets of the realm (Craig Seager, NSW, ARDXC via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 4835, Sept 15 at 1701 UT. Phone-ins from listeners on the morning show from ABC, coming from the Alice Springs transmitter. Into song at 1704, then again talk show. One of the best receptions ever. Recording: http://bit.ly/UpNMLn (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4835, Sept 22 at 1233, very poor signal with talk, no doubt VL8A holding up this late after WWCR 4840 1200*. Need to try earlier before WWCR latens their QSY time.

4835, VL8A Alice Springs, 1312 Sept 25, promo ìYouíre with Tony Delroy in Nightlife.î and returning to a phone-in show discussing money. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. RADIO NATIONAL PLANS PROGRAM CUTS TO SAVE MONEY - ABC News (Australian Broadcasting Corporation)

I saw this on ABC Online and thought you might be interested: http://www.abc.net.au/news/2012-09-25/radio-national-plans-program-cuts-to-save-money/4279846

Changing times (Wayne Bastow, Narara, NSW, Australia, 33 23' 33.5" South, 151 21' 10.4" East, Sept 26, ARDXC via DXLD) Three shows I don`t recognize, maybe not carried also on RA (gh, DXLD)

What a shame. Airplay is my regular Sunday afternoon fix of radio drama. Usually listen to it whilst working in the garden. RN is one of the last bastions of quality radio, but unfortunately the listenership would be very small. The Philistines are winning (Craig Seager, ARDXC via DXLD)

** BAHRAIN. 9745, 0257, Radio Bahrain USB transmission fair in the clear 21/8, with popular vocals but suffers severe QRM from 9740 from 0259:30 onwards (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar, 1149 end of talk by deep-voiced M announcer then into exotic subcontinental music. W announcer briefly between songs at 1154. Fading of course. Makassar just below but not a problem. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. OFF AIR TODAY [Sept 20] at 1515-1545 15505 DKA 250 kW 305 deg to SoAS Hindi (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Sept 21 at 1232, very poor signal but talk in English, so BB is on today; improves somewhat by 1241, different announcer, 1245 some S Asian, music, as usual with talk portions, off at 1300* after

addressing dear listeners. Nepali missing again at 1315, tho there is a JBA carrier from something around 1330. 15505 Urdu from 1400 is also missing and still nothing at 1412. Conditions were OK and that should have been audible if on.

No Bangladesh Betar this Saturday, altho 19m was hopping with signals from China: 15105, at 1240 Sept 22, a JBA carrier, maybe something else; nor sometime in the 1315-1345 period
15505, at 1400+ Sept 22, no signal either

15105, Sept 23 at 1252, no signal from Bangladesh Betar this Sunday, despite lots of ChiCom signals on the band; nor around 1335; nor on 15505 from 1359 past 1401. Also absent Saturday, so we wonder if BB just takes the weekends off, or is something else wrong?

BB is missing for the third day in a row from previously known schedule; last heard Sept 21 until 1300* on 15105. Now no sign of it Sept 24 at 1237, nor 15105 at 1315, nor 15505 at 1400 (both frequencies checked at all times, just in case). Is anyone hearing it anywhen, including the 7250 transmissions later? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Nothing heard around 1259-1300 UT Sept 25. But instead then a BGD interval signal at 1314 UT and two ID's of Bangladesh in Hindi at 1316 UT. Flute and string music at 1317 UT Sept 25. Today much better audio quality of the station on air. Powerhouse S=9+30dB in Germany at 1328 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

I have heard Bangladesh Betar today (25th Sept) at 1315 s/on with full ID, etc. and a very good signal (Steve Calver, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

At 1515 UT heard BANGLADESH BETAR Radio again: 1515-1545 15505 DKA 250 kW 305 deg to SoAS Hindi. Hindi Program on S=9+25dB level, a like powerhouse and clean audio feed at tune in at 1518-1523 UT Sept 25th (B¸schel, ibid.)

Bangladesh Betar Hindi service 1515 sign-on on 15505, varying S9+25db to S9+40db at peaks, audio quality very good, observed freq 15505.1 kHz. 73s (Tony Molloy, UK, Sept 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Sept 25 at 1259, BB is back after missing since Sept 21, tune in very poor signal just in time to hear sign-off in English, brief tone test, and off at 1300. At 1316, 15105 is back on with presumed Nepali, S Asian music, slightly better at poor level now. At 1328 music with heavy flutter; 1344 announcement, tone test, open carrier until 1346.6*

15505, Sept 25 at 1358 still not on, but retune after 1359 just in

time to hear tail notes of IS, and timesignal happens(?) to be accurate to within a second of 1400:00. Transmitter cuts off and back on the air during opening theme music for Urdu service (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15505, Bangladesh Betar, 1514:30 Sept 25, tuned in to hear IS, 1515 time pips and woman with s/on, several mentions of ìHindiî, 1517 news, 1523 news ended with website and music. Checked back at 1544:45 to hear closing by woman and off at 1545. Fair(Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Sept 26 at 1256, weak signal with flutter, seems English, 1257 to dead air, presumed Bangladesh Betar. (Meanwhile DRM noise from India to Sri Lanka blasting in on 15045-15055). Looks like I did not miss much; Wolfgang B¸schel reports: ``VERY DISTORTED AUDIO FEED quality today noted, totally unintelligible, at 1230-1254 UT tune in, only English could be recognized. Totally OVERMODULATED level.``

Checking amid the Nepali broadcast at 1327 on 15105: nothing.

15505, Sept 26 at 1358, BB is on with IS several times, flutter, big hum and buzz/rumble atop, timesignal only 1 second late after 1400:00 compared to WWV a minute later! 1419 good with music; pause between cuts at 1421 allows the hum to come up for a moment. May we assume all music on BB is Bengali, even on services in other languages? I wasn`t next to the radio when ACI 5 kHz het from a carrier on 15500 or 15510 cut on at 1427:30 but it went back off at 1429:45* before BB did, finished at 1430 but noisy carrier stayed until 1430:30* (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELGIUM [non]. Fw: 5900 RTR 2 - die Powerstation mit Tests zur¸ck auf Kurzwelle, 18-20 UT Sept 22

BULGARIA, 5900, RTR2 Radio Dreamland Belgium. Crash start at 1800:03 UT, without large opening procedure, usually S = 9 +25db / +30db in Central Europe, slightly less in Greece, Italy and Sweden ...

Coffee grounds reading: The crash start could be from Issoudun.

18:00:54 UT sudden startup, "We sound different ..." "RTR2 the power station", the very best of Michael Jackson...

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On 22/09/2012 18:35, wrote Simon Peter Liehr: ``The 5900 kHz transmitter site is loud RTR2 chat at the end of the program

betrayed .... "Whether being sent advertising Spaceline Bulgaria Ltd..
indicative is ... ?"

Said Patrick Robic from Austria in A-DX newsgroup. ``So, registered
Kostinbrod at 30 degrees in HFCC list from Spaceline Bulgaria on
business.`` 73 wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

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----- Original Message -----
[A-DX] RTR 2 - die Powerstation mit Tests zur¸ck auf Kurzwelle

RTR2 Radio Traumland Belgien --- Crash start um 1800:03 UT, ohne grofle
Erˆffnungs Prozedur, meist S=9+25 bis +30 dB in ganz Mitteleuropa,
etwas schw‰cher in Griechenland, Italien und Schweden...

Kaffeesatz Leserei: Der Crash Start kˆnnte aus Issoudun sein...
1800:54 UT plˆtzlicher Programm Start, "Wir klingen anders ...",
"RTR2 the power station", the very best of Michael Jackson... 73 wb

----- Original Message ----- From: "Patrick Robic"

Am 21.09.2012 18:15, schrieb Christoph Ratzer:

Am 22.9.12 von 18 - 20 Uhr testet RTR Radio Europa mit RTR 2 - Die
Powerstation die Kurzwellenfrequenz 5900 im 49m-Band. In Leibnitz mit
SINPO 55555 zu hˆren. 73, Patrick (via WB, DXLD)

** BELGIUM [non]. UNIDENTIFIED TX SITE. RTR-2 on Sat Sep. 22, TOP 20
of Michael Jackson, 1800-2000 on 5900, POWER SIGNAL IN SOFIA, BULGARIA
// http://rtr2-diepowerstation.dyndns.org:8002/listen.pls
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept 23, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** BENIN. 1566, Sept 16 at 0453. TWR Benin won the "1566 lottery" over
the other stations of the channel, that morning! Continuous
spiritual/slow inspired music. At 0457, ID with "Trans World Radio"
and website mention. Recording: http://bit.ly/RMasJG (Chris Diemoz,
the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt
Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-

East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4699.80, R. San Miguel, Riberalta, 6/09 1035-1100, 33333, programa El mensajero religioso, news con car·cter religioso. NOTA: antes lo he reportado en 4699.30

5952.40, R. Pio XII, Siglo XX, 28/08 2325-0010, 44444, ads espaÒol y aymara, ID ìSu Radio Pio XIIî, hablan sobre la fiesta patronal de Santa Rosa de Lima. Slogan: ìLa mejor programaciÛn, la mejor informaciÛn, la m˙sica de mi tierra boliviana, Pio XII, Pio XII, la radio que hace mi pueblo, Pio XII, Pio XII, Pio XII, hermanando otros pueblos, Pio XIIÖ. Pio XII, una radio que hace puebloî

6134.80, R. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, 6/09 2205-2250, 44444, news, ID ì6 de la tarde y 8 minutos en Radio Santa Cruz, ahora entramos en contacto con Cochabambaî, news, ID ìBuenas tardes, amigos de Radio Santa Cruzî, hablan sobre los daÒos que est·n ocasionando en la agricultura en las partes altas de Bolivia. Programa El informativo Bolivia en Contacto.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 27/08 al 21/09 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 15 metros y una antena loop Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per˙, Sept 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU

** BOLIVIA. 4716.7, R. Yura, Signal on well before 0955. Audio finally up at 1002:50 with 2 IDs and mention of Bolivia by W during talk in Aymara. Music at very very low level. (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.83, R. Santa Cruz, 0939 Big romantic ballad. M announcer with TC and song announcement with mention of La Paz, Santa Cruz. Not very strong this AM. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4754.88, R. Imaculada ConceiÁ„o (presumed) 0855 talk by W and into soft music. Canned announcements and music over ToH, then live W, then canned apparent ID announcement at 0901:10 with definite mention of "kilohertz". Too weak this morning. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4875 [sic], R. Caiari, Suddenly on in the middle of the full canned ID announcement, starting just as the frequencies were

given at 0857:47. If they'd have just started 30 seconds sooner or played the ID announcement a little later. 0907 Rooster crowing during announcements, and again at 0912. Clearer than yesterday but still CODAR QRM. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) Transposed frequency again, supposed to be 4785 (gh)

4785, R. Caiari, On at 0855:20 with soft ZY ballad in progress. Full ID at 0858:34, followed by ID jingles mentioning AM frequency. (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4845.24, R. Cultura Ondas Tropicais (presumed), 2335 hardsell preaching by M in Portuguese with horrible roomy sound to the audio. Thought heard mention of Brasil. Went into pop-like vocal music at 2340 sounding like it was played over the PA system in the room. One or two short canned announcements at 2359. More nonstop music. I thought the audio was just part of the program, but it was obviously from the studio. No chance to ID due to poor audio. QRM from het on 4844.85. Occasional pulsing ute QRM too. Not very strong. Can't be running more than 5 kW. If this is Ondas Tropicais, it really went downhill from what it used to be. WWCR [4840] not on to at least 0007, but was on at 0015 check. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4877.5, R·dio Roraima ñ Boa Vista, 0335-0411*, Sep 22, interesting mix of English lyric oldies music with a man announcer with Portuguese talk, ID and sign off announcement at 0356. Choral National Anthem followed. Carrier remained on for another 15 minutes after anthem was finished. Fair to good (Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing PA 19610, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet Sept 23 via DXLD)

4877.4, R Diff Roraima, Boavista, 0143 23 September, px mx in Portuguese, 23333 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4885.00, BRASIL, R. Difusora Acreana, Rio Branco, 27/08 1035-1105, 33333, m˙sica, ID ìR·dio Difusora Acreana, AmazÙnia, 7 e 48, no Brasilî

5035.00, BRASIL, R. Aparecida, Aparecida, 10/09 0950-1035, 33333, ads, programa AmazÙnia Desperta, news, ID ìR·dio Aparecida, primeiro na comunicaÁ„oî.

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** BRAZIL. 6120, Super R. Deus È Amor (presumed) 2251 Religious talk by M in Portuguese with mention of espÌritu santo, la palabra [which would be Spanish or at least PortuÒol], Brasil, sanctimoni. 2257 instrumental music and M announcer briefly, then alternating M and W and audience noise. Canned studio announcement by M, a little more preaching, then full canned slow announcement by M with frequencies at 2300, followed by singing jingle for about a min. Didn't hear an actual ID though. 2300 noted time ticks underneath then V. of Korea IS. Then at 2302:35, R. Habana Cuba came on and blasted it out. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Much more on the pirate: see UNIDENTIFIED 7170, 7305

** BRAZIL. 9819.4, Sept 19 at 5.17 UTC. Blasting signal from Radio 9 de Julho, which seems pretty regular in the last week. Brazilian music, then OM in Portuguese for a "Rede Aparecida" program. Recording: http://bit.ly/PN8ULF (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11815.03, 2058, R·dio Brasil Central reactivated with Portuguese sports commentary 2/9. QRM from Arab on 11820, but reception improved after 2100 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. GiovedÏ 20 settembre 2012:
0520 - 11765, SRDA - Curitiba (Brasile), PP, annunci OM. SF
0521 - 11780, RN DA AMAZONIA in // 6180, canto locale. SF-IN
0522 - 11815, R. BRASIL CENTRAL sempre spenta. [off]
0531 - 9819.42, R. 9 DE JULHO - Rio [sic] (Brasile), Canzone OM. SF-IN
0533 - 9675, R. CAN«√O NOVA (B) in battimento con BSKSA. SF-IN
0533 - 9665, VOZ MISSIONARIA - Cambori˙-SC (Brasile), tk OM. SF-IN
(Luca Botto Fiora, QTH G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, bclnews.it yg via DXLD) SF=sufficient; IN=insufficient

Domenica 23 settembre 2012:
0559 - 11815 R. BRASIL CENTRAL attiva (mx locale). SF-IN (Luca Botto

Fiora, QTH G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, ibid. via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

11815, R·dio Brasil Central, Goi,nia, 0548-0600, 23-09, Brazilian songs, identification: "Ondas medias, 1270 kHz, 50 kW, onda tropical, 4985 kHz, 10 kW, ondas curtas, 25 metros, 11815 kHz, 7,5 kW, Radio Brasil Central, Goi,nia, Goi·s, Brasil". 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Had been off for a while (gh, DXLD)

11815, Sept 24 at 0509 not even a carrier detectable from R. Brasil Central, which has been missing for a while, altho Manuel MÈndez, Spain got a full ID from it around 23 hours earlier. 11765 was audible and also maybe something on 11735 was Brasil, plus usual supersig from 11780 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11915.1, 2045, R·dio Ga˙cha on 11915.08 pushing through strong Arabic station on 11915, Portuguese talk with references to Porto Alegre 20/8. Gone at 2059 recheck. Heterodyne beat between the 2 stations regular but audio from Brazil has been rare (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. A Nacional da AmazÙnia È facilmente captada aqui em NiterÛi (RJ) e cidades vizinhas, tanto em 6180, quanto em 11780 kHz. OuÁo-a principalmente no meu carro. Ela me serve de referÍncia em r·dios analÛgicos.

Uma coisa que n„o entendo È por que ela transmite duas vezes o programa "No Mundo da Bola", ‡s 20h30 e ‡s 23h30 [UT -3 presumably], com as mesmas reportagens, mas apresentadores diferentes. A primeira ediÁ„o È a de BrasÌlia, com AndrÈ Luiz Mendes. A segunda, com Carlos Borges ou Waldir Luiz, direntamente do Rio.

Outra quest„o: por seu car·ter cultural, a R·dio MEC do Rio n„o poderia ficar de fora das ondas curtas. … uma pena que n„o tenham reativado alguns dos canais disponÌveis. Um deles poderia atÈ retransmitir o sinal da MEC FM, pois estaria prestando um grande serviÁo para a cultura de nosso paÌs. AbraÁo, (Fabiano Henrique, NiterÛi - RJ, Sept 22, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 15191.44, Radio InconfidÍncia, 2245-2305, Sept 26, Portuguese talk. Ads. Jingles. Fair to good. Weak // 6010. (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. Now like Mexico, they are talking about ``migrating`` AM

stations to FM, voluntarily, because, everyone knows, FM is better: (gh)

03/05/2012 ESTUDO APONTA QUE R¡DIOS AM PODERvO MIGRAR PARA A FAIXA FM
http://www.cluberegional.com.br/noticia/detalhes/1233/Estudo+aponta+que+Radios+AM+poderao+migrar+para+a+faixa+FM
(via PY2359SWL / PY2OK Marcio, radioescutas yg altho gh had to find the original article link, via DXLD)

** BURMA [and non]. BBG, GALLUP ISSUE FINDINGS ON MEDIA USE IN BURMA

The popularity of FM radio rose rapidly in Burma and radio continues to be the dominant source for news and information, according to new data issued by the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) and Gallup. The BBG, in partnership with Gallup, presented the findings today about Burmese media consumption habits from a nationally representative, face-to-face survey done in the country between May 5 and June 20 of this year. . .

http://www.bbg.gov/press-release/bbg-gallup-issue-new-findings-on-media-use-in-burma/
(BBG PR Friday, September 21, 2012 via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Germany, DXLD)

** CANADA. 3330, Sept 16 at 0510 UT. Time pips, digital code and male voice IDs every minute by CHU. Recording: http://bit.ly/QwvGq9 (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6110, Sept 20 at 0523, Sackville has done it again! Dead air instead of NHK English relay. We are beginning to look forward to the switch to Guiana French for B-12 once Sackville is completely kaput. Not that they are perfect either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also KOREA SOUTH [non]

6110, Sept 21 at 0512, NHK lux out tonight as Sackville is modulating it again in English, unlike last night and several other occasions. Super signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also JAPAN

** CANADA. 6159.98, CKZU, 0926 mostly stronger than CKZN. CBC documentary with M and W program host about severely ill Autistic person to 0948. "The Current Review" program, program notes and CBC Radio One ID, filler music, then CBC news. Some heavy QSB. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands

#26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** CANADA. 9625, 0504, Radio Canada North Quebec Service with talk in unidentified language which I assume must have been Inuit (Eskimo) dialect 19/8. English news usually carried at this time so maybe is a weekend change only? Good strength, followed by French ident and ëO Canadaí anthem to close (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

Politically correct term is Inuktitut; they also broadcast in Cree, or used to, altho those are further west than N Quebec (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA. G¸nter Jacob in Passau, Germany still looks for answers to those roaming reports: ìTwo months ago, I sent a letter to the Directorate of RCI in Montreal with my thanks for the variety of interesting programs that it was always a pleasure for listeners to tune in. But I also tried to express my feelings after the close-down of transmissions via Sackville; I wrote: ëWhen you receive this letter, Radio Canada International is no longer on the air for its worldwide audience. RCIís shortwave transmissions from Sackville have stopped, and I myself will never forget how they encouraged me - as a boy of 14 years - to become a shortwave listener. They widened my horizon of a large country across the Atlantic, and they aroused my enthusiasm as a listener to world band radio and collector of QSL verifications.

I remember the names of Gerd Peter Pick, Vera Hirschmann, Max Fleck, Margaret Schweykowsky, Gunther Michelson, Walter Roome. My first reception report was sent to the German Program in Montreal, from where I received the first QSL card in my collection for the reception of CKCS on 15.32 Mc/s. Those were the days!í

I also mentioned in my letter that between 1955 and 2003, 52 QSL cards arrived from Canada and were added to my growing collection. In order to participate in club contests/competitions, after 2004 I could only receive verifications for ìSackville/CANî by reporting to other broadcasters with programs relayed via Sackville: China Radio International verified Sackville on 11 frequencies, Deutsche Welle on 3, Radio Japan on 2, and other broadcasters verifying SAC/CAN for their relayed transmissions were Austrian Radio (1), Radio Sweden (1), Vatican Radio (1), Voice of Turkey (1).

When I made an attempt at finally getting RCI QSL cards before sign-off, in May I was told: ëThank you very much for your e-mail of the 9th with your reception report. Your QSL letter is being mailed this afternoon. (We have run out of QSL cards and, given the situation at RCI these days, we will not be getting more printed.) As for your

older reports, the problem is that we do not have access to the files of program details from 2004 and 2005, so we are therefore unable to verify those reports at this time.í (G¸nter Jacob, Passau, Germany, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** CANADA [and non]. 11795, Sept 20 at 1358, as I am trying to detect a CNR1 jammer spur one notch above 11784 on 11792, instead I can hardly believe my ears when on 11795 I barely hear the RCI IS and French/English IDs alternating. No way this is coming from Sackville unless it`s a few hundred watts, as the doomed 11655 NHK relay is inbooming (and not with an RCI IS break, so no spur of that).

It so happens that 11795 was, and presumably still is, in use by SAC for the KBS World Radio relay in Spanish to S America at 1100-1200. But I would more likely think this is another feed mixup at a Chinese transmitter (like running the REE IS for years before their own CRI Nepali service). But Aoki, EiBi and HFCC agree that the only use by CRI of 11795 is also at 1100-1157, English southward from Kashgar, EAST TURKISTAN.

At 1359.6, something else adds on to 11795, listed as BBC Hindi via SINGAPORE at 1400-1430. But I am still hearing the RCI IS and IDs mixing in past 1401. So what is going on here?? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Would Keith Perron know?

** CANARY ISLANDS. 486 kHz Radio Station? Hello group, a bit off topic, but I faintly hear music and talk on 486 kHz. And thanks to the remote Perseus servers I was able to get a perfect reception on the Perseus all the way in south-east UK. Now the only thing i wonder: Which station is this?? Here a screenshot:
http://x264.nl/dump/0-40/486khz-2012-09-27-0255utc-remote-perseus-uk-newport.jpg

And audio recording:
http://x264.nl/dump/0-40/486khz-2012-09-27-0255-0305utc-remote-perseus-uk-newport.mp3

What language is this? And where is it from? Thanks! (Jarod, Sept 27, Perseus-SDR yg via Wolfgang B¸schel, harmonics yg via DXLD)

486, Heard in the midst a time announcement "is 4 hrs in Canaria" in Spanish of course. An some news items of Canary Islands, and also RNE and R Nacional mentioned often. RNE is registered on nominal 576 kHz 20 kW from Las Palmas at Mesas de Galaz.

At 0520 UT heard also real loud and clear on remote Perseus in the southerly U.K. coast. Looks like a punching error of '57' against '48'

CNR RNE 5 Mesas de Galaz, Las Palmas 747 / RNE1 576 20 kW two masts at

28 00'56.10"N 15 30'52.67"W
<http://binged.it/UYrwvp>
and
28 00'58.47"N 15 30'46.77"W
<http://binged.it/UYrbZn>

73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

National RNE programs also give the time in Canarias, as distinct from mainland an hour later. And 486 could be a 2 x 450 kHz IF image from 1386 where there is one station, Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao, but presumably not on a Perseus, so the mispunch theory looks more likely (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGESET)

** CHAD. Nothing heard on Sept 19 around 2000 UT, when only Zambia co-channel even channel was on air. But on Sept 20th at 1830 UT noted ahead on 6164.960 kHz, S=9+10dB level fluttery signal here in Germany, well ahead of Zambia co-channel on 6165.0 even frequency (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6165, R. N'djamena in French at 1820 (Sep 20); fair signal but muffled audio (Alexander [Koutamanis???], Netherlands, Cumbredx via DXLD)

6164.960, RNT N'djamena noted with typical Sahel lady singer, S=7 fluttery fair signal at 1855 UT Sept 22. On even 6165 also Zambia NBC Radio-2 on air, but underneath (Wolfgang B¸schel, Sept 22, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

Chad not on air 6164v at this 0400 UT slot Sept 23 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHILE. RADIO SANTIAGO SE ADHIERE A LA CELEBRACI”N DEL DÕA DEL TRABAJADOR RADIAL

Hoy 21 de septiembre se celebra el DÌa del Trabajador Radial en Chile, por ello Radio Santiago, manteniendo viva una tradiciÛn que nunca debiera terminarse, cesa por 24 horas sus transmisiones, en homenaje al esforzado trabajo que, a diario y sin descanso, realizan los trabajadores radiales de todo el paÌs.

Revisemos la historia.

Durante la administraciÛn del Presidente Juan Antonio RÌos Morales se instituyÛ en Chile que, a contar del 21 de septiembre de 1942, ese dÌa serÌa conmemorado como ìEl DÌa de la Radioî, fecha en que todas las emisoras de la Rep˙blica silenciarÌan sus transmisiones por 24 horas.

El dÌa de descanso para los trabajadores radiales se introdujo,

considerando que ellos laboraban en forma ininterrumpida los 365 dÌas del aÒo, incluyendo fiestas emblem·ticas como: Semana Santa, DÌa Internacional del Trabajo, DÌa de las Glorias Navales, Independencia de Chile, DÌa de las Glorias del EjÈrcito, DÌa de Todos los Santos, Navidad, AÒo Nuevo, entre otras. DespuÈs de casi medio siglo, durante el gobierno del Presidente Patricio Aylwin AzÛcar, se declarÛ por Decreto Supremo de 1991, el 21 de septiembre como el ìDÌa Nacional del Trabajador de la RadiodifusiÛn Sonoraî. . . FUENTE:
http://www.radiosantiago.cl/2012/09/21/radio-santiago-se-adhiere-a-la-celebracion-del-dia-del-trabajador-radial/
(Via Yimber Gaviria. Colombia, DXLD)

Radio stations in Chile axually go silent on this one day per year to give radio workers a break, as if individuals never get a day off with radio stations on the air constantly (gh, DXLD)

** CHINA [non]. VOA CHINESE TV GOES ON NEW SATELLITE
PRESS RELEASE 26.09.2012

Good news for Voice of America fans in China. VOA TV programs in Chinese, Tibetan and English can now be watched on two direct-to-home satellites.

The VOA programs were added this month to the lineup on Telstar 18, also known as ApStar5, which broadcasts on the powerful Ku band, and is rated as one of the most popular direct-to-home satellites in China, according to http://Dishpointer.com The programs are also available on the AsiaSat 3 C-band.

ìEarlier this year we completely revamped our flagship Chinese TV news show, expanding it to two hours a day, and adding fast-paced program elements and features,î says VOA Director David Ensor. ìNow we have the program on two satellites, including Telstar 18. We hope these changes will make it easier for our audience to get the news and information that they have come to expect from the Voice of America,î Ensor says.

In addition to Mandarin TV, VOAís twice-weekly, Tibetan news show, and shorter news updates, will be broadcast, along with VOA English features aimed at the Chinese audience.

The Mandarin program, VOA Weishi, (VOA Satellite TV), goes beyond the latest headlines, with live reports from VOA correspondents, and information viewers canít get on state owned stations. The segment, Error 404, focuses on Chinese censorship, and shows what is actually being blocked by Chinaís Internet filters. Other segments, including ìDemocracy in Americaî and ìAmerican Legal Issuesî delve into American society and culture.

ìThe program gives our audience a uniquely American blend of news and information,î says VOA China Branch Chief Sasha Gong. ìAnd we are really pleased to be able to deliver it to our audience on one of the most widely used direct to home satellites.î

Direct-to-home satellite is an increasingly popular source of news and information in many countries. Although satellite dishes are restricted in China, more than 10 percent of the adult population has access to a dish, according to independent surveys.

VOA Chinese, Tibetan and English broadcasts are also distributed on VOA websites, mobile apps and social media platforms, where millions of viewers often turn for news and information.

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or the main news site at http://www.voanews.com

VOA broadcasts approximately 1,500 hours of news, information, educational, and cultural programming every week to an estimated worldwide audience of about 141 million people.

Follow us on Twitter @VOABuzz and Facebook at InsideVOA Voice of America © 2012 All Rights Reserved. 330 Independence Ave, SW Suite 3349 Washington, D.C. 20237 United States of America (VOA PR 26 Sept via DXLD) Is there any jamming or other discouragement? (gh, DXLD)

** CHINA. 4940, Voice of Strait via Fuzhou, Fujian Province, 1500-1530, Sept 22 (Saturday). Starts with ID ìVoice of Strait, Focus on Chinaî; weekly news program in English; items about US Defense Secretary Panettaís visit this past week to China; mostly stories about the dispute with Japan over the Diaoyu Islands, which resulted in anti-Japanese demonstrations in China and around the world by overseas Chinese; anniversary observed of the Japanese invasion of Manchuria which began on September 19, 1931; started out fair; faded down to poor. This corresponds to the VOS schedule at http://www.vos.com.cn/ (Saturday 2300 ìFocus on Chinaî) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, Is there actually any English on this website? Thanks for the information and best regards! (Michael Stevenson, Australia, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

Hi Michael, Please go to google - translate:

http://translate.google.com/?hl=en&tab=wT

and enter: http://www.vos.com.cn/ Pick Chinese to English.

Look at "online radio". Click on "Saturday 22" and scroll down to see "23:00 FOCUS ON CHINA", which is 11:00 PM their local time (1500 UT).

From your location you should have very good reception. Is the only chance to catch a nice VOS ID in English. Good luck (Ron Howard, California, USA, ibid.)

Hi Ron, I listened to and QSLed VOS quite a few years ago now, they were in the 25 meter band at that time and had a nice English language program then, it would be nice to hear them once again so will have to try listening! Thanks again and take care now! (Michael, ibid.)

4940, Sept 23 at 1214 Chinese talk, very poor in noise but best/only signal from Asia on 60m, i.e. per Aoki, V. of Strait, 50 kW, 140 degrees from Fuzhou, way offbeam USward.

At 1217 on 90m searching for PNG, N Korean carriers, also one on 3280, presumably V. of Pujiang, 15 kW southward from Shanghai (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 4950, V. of Pujiang, Chinese Pop-like music at 1140, found // 9705. M at 1142, then canned announcements. This frequency a little stronger and clearer than 9705. 3280 had already faded. Other Chinese on 4800, 4820, 4905, 4920, 4940 (best), and 5050. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** CHINA [non]. 9890, Sept 23 at 0332, CRI English with echo. This is produced in my FRG-7 receiver only, tnx to overload from super-strong signals on 9690 via Spain and 9790 via Cuba, eliminable by attenuation. FYI: this is not a log of something axually transmitted, so not quoting it would be understandable; yet someone might be misled by an anomaly like this if they hear it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Firedrake Sept 20, before 1300:
12670, very poor at 1246; none in the 11s
13130, very poor at 1246
14700, poor-fair at 1244
14980, JBA at 1244
15555, poor at 1242
16100, poor at 1241
16920, very poor at 1241
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15940,141 [sic, meaning off-frequency? Or SIO?], Firedrake, 1153-1200 Sept 21, Definitely Chinese Opera music, but very weak and threshold so far. It's still early, so chances are this will improve later.

16100.00, Firedrake, 1157-1205 Sept 21, Another broadcast of Chinese Opera type music. Signal is at a good level (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, 26N 081W, Excalibur, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9680, Firedrake noted Sept 21 at 1221 under the pile up of many stations here. They are seriously trying to block something here (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake Sept 21, after 1300:
15485, fair with noise at 1308
15495, good at 1326 with het on hi side, ex-15485
15560, good at 1308; none in the 14s, 16s, 17s
none in the 12s, 13s, 14s at 1322
15605, fair at 1322, het on hi side, also CCI from RTTY

After 1400:
15605, fair at 1411 with noise jamming added, and WEWN 15606 spur het

11760, poor at 1414, yes, FD here audible under RHC, seems // 15605. Further proof that there is something needing jamming on 11760, also producing the 8-kHz-spur-multiples above and below again today, not necessarily from same transmitter as FD, but the normal CNR1 jammer could have picked up FD modulation instead today

9680, Sept 21 at 1418, FD also audible here as RRI is in a pause (still nothing on 9526v VOI which has been missing for a biweek) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Found Firedrake on 12320, 12670, 12980, 13920. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) Time??

Firedrake Sept 22, before 1300:
15795, good at 1254 mixing with CNR1 jamming and somewhere underneath, AIR in Chinese, which lasts until 1315 but at 1311 the FD is gone
15555, very good at 1254; none in the 17s, 16s, 14s
13920, good at 1258
12980, very good at 1259
12670, fair at 1259
12320, very good at 1259

After 1300:

15560, very good at 1309 with het on hi side; ex-15555
15485, good at 1309, with noise which is louder than the FD
 9680, fair at 1314, mixed in with RRI, RTI and CNR1 jamming
 7445, fair at 1318, along with CNR1 jamming and/or RTI Paochung

Before 1400:
15560, good at 1349, het on lo side
14700, very good at 1350
12980, good at 1353; none in the 13s, 11s or 10s
12500, very good at 1352
12320, very good at 1352

Firedrake Sept 23, before 1300:
15555, very good at 1253; none in the 17s, 16s, 14s, 13s, 12s
15795, JBA at 1253, mixing with echo CNR1 jamming vs AIR Mandarin
17705, at 1255 the // AIR Mandarin with no FD, just CNR1 jamming over
Indian music

Before 1400:
 7445, JBA at 1338, under CNR1 jamming, RTI
 9680, poor at 1338 in the mix with CNR1 jamming, RTI and RRI // 16100
14960, poor at 1334; none in the 12s or 13s
15495, poor at 1334
15940, poor at 1334
16100, good at 1335
16920, fair at 1335
16980, fair at 1335
18200, poor at 1337 with flutter; none in the 17s

Firedrake Sept 24, before 1300:
17250, JBA at 1238, also ute QRM; none in the 18s
16100, fair at 1238 with flutter; none in the 15s
14980, very good at 1241
14700, fair-good at 1241; none in the 13s
12500, very good at 1243
12320, very good at 1243
12230, good at 1243
 9680, fair at 1254 buried in mix of RRI, CNR1 jammer and RTI target

Firedrake, Sept 25 before 1300; started much too late, only finding
before then:
15900, very good with flutter at 1258
15940, very good with flutter at 1258

After 1300:
 7445, fair at 1320 somewhat weaker than the Chinese from RTI, CNR1
 9680, deep mix with CNR1, RTI, with RRI atop at 1319 (9526 still off)
15485, fair at 1304 with flutter, het on hi side

15495, fair at 1324, het on hi side, ex-15485
15555, good at 1304 with flutter
15610, poor at 1325 vs WEWN 15615; no 16s, 17s, 18s, 14s, 13s, 12s
17705, fair at 1308 in mix with CNR1 jammer and AIR Chinese

Firedrake Sept 26, before 1300, not a full search, just:
15555, good at 1259 with heavy flutter, and this one stays past 1300+

After 1300, most with heavy flutter:
none in the 18s, 17s, 16s at 1320
15605, poor at 1324 with WEWN 15606 spur
15495, good at 1325, het on hi side
unusually, none in the 14s, 13s, 12s, 11s, 10s, 9s, 8s at 1327-1340
7445, poor at 1335 mixed with CNR1 echo jamming, RTI presumed

After 1400:
17560, fair atop V. of Tibet via Madagascar at 1404
17570, fair atop V. of Tibet via Madagascar at 1417, ex-17560 both
15605, fair at 1419, vs WEWN 15606 spur, still here this hour
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 11768, Sept 20 at 1354, weak Chinese but enough modulation to make it // 11785 CNR1 jammer, a reverb apart. The other +/- 8 kHz multiple spurs from the 11760 source jammer covered by RHC are just carriers detectable on 11736, 11744, 11752, 11776, 11784, but those within 2 kHz of a legitimate signal make obvious hets against: 11735, 11750, 11775, 11785. See also EAST TURKISTAN; CANADA [non]

11710, Sept 24 at 1249, hefty mix of Korean from DPRK and Chinese CNR1 jammer against RTI. And as usual the latter is throwing out weak spur carriers at 8 kHz intervals, detectable on 11686, 11694, 11702, 11718, 11726, 11734, only the last with a signal to het it, another one from North Korea, 11735.

11760, Sept 24 at 1352, same situation originating here instead as always after 1300, but can only detect the spurs on 11752 and 11776 hetting Cuba and Anguilla (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 11970 & 12010, approx., very overmodulated and strong distorted FMy spurs also with hets/tones, Sept 22 at 1241, obviously coming from one of the CNR1 jamming transmitters on 11990. At 1300 the spurs are off, but CNR1 jamming 11990 continues, evidently from a different transmitter; as VOA Chinese has just switched sites from Saipan to Novosibirsk.

11975 & 12005, Sept 23 at 1250, filthy FM spurs from CNR1 jammer on 11990 have moved in closer to the fundamental, instead of 11970 & 12010 as 24 hours earlier; now with dramatic yelling program. And once

again both gone after 1300 as the offending unit on 11990 has closed, while other CNR1 jamming against VOA remains.

11990, Sept 24 at 1244, CNR1 echo-jamming against VOA Mandarin is finally spurless, unlike yesterday radiating blobs around 11975 and 12105, and ante-yesterday around 11970 and 12110 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CUBA

** CHINA [and non]. 21590, Sept 22 at 1321 something in Chinese with poor signal; it`s // 11990 CNR1 jammer, so this one is jamming BBC Uzbek via Cyprus during this semihour only.

21590, Sept 23 at 1303, equally poor mix of CNR1 jamming and presumed BBC Uzbek via CYPRUS as scheduled this semihour, since the ChiCom interfere in the internal affairs of Uzbekistan, just because Uzbek is a Turkic language understood by some in East Turkistan.

21590, Sept 26 at 1319, the CNR1 jamming is at good level but fluttery over BBC Uzbek via CYPRUS; stronger than SPAIN q.v. 21610 long/short path (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. G&E Studio (China Radio International) Affiliates Compiled from http://www.gestudio.us

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 570 KCFJ Alturas CA
 890 WJTP Lithia Springs GA
1040 KXPD Tigard OR
1090 WILD Boston MA
1190 WCRW Leesburg VA
1320 KXYZ Houston TX
1370 KWRM Corona CA
1470 XERCN Tijuana BCN [Spanish, all or part?]
1510 KSFN Piedmont CA
1520 KYND Cypress TX
1540 WNWR Philadelphia PA
1540 KGBC Galveston TX
1540/91.9 CHIN Toronto ON
     97.9 CJLL Ottawa ON
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(via Bruce Conti http://www.bamlog.com mwdx yg via DXLD)

Somebody should jam these stations, just in retaliation (gh, DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 5909.92, R. Alcavar·n [sic], Lomalinda, 10/09 1045-1120, 44444, programa M˙sica con acordeÛn, ID ìPor Alcavar·n Radioî, m˙sica, ID ì1530 kHz OM y 5910 kHz OC, Alcavar·n Radio, desde Colombiaî

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 27/08 al 21/09 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis

Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 15 metros y una antena loop Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per˙, Sept 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) More PFA: See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, PERU

5910-, Sept 21 at 0513, HJDH is vying with WWRB and 9490 for first place in the dead-air sweepstakes. At first I wondered if some other carrier was overriding it, but measured slightly on low side of frequency, as customary for Alcarav·n Radio. Some audio at first turned out to be overload crossmod from Brother Scare or something, removed by attenuation. Still dead air past 0530+. Other contenders were out of the running tonight: WBCQ 9330 was really modulating, as well as R. Japan 6110 via CANADA, q.v.

5910, Sept 22 at 0452, no signal from Alcarav·n Radio, the next step following signal but no modulation 24 hours earlier; what next?

5910, Sept 23 at 0348 peppy music from reactivated HJDH, missing last night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5909.92, Alcarav‡n [sic] Radio, Lomalinda, 0231 23 Septembre, px mx +ID "Onda corta Alcarav‡n Radio" "Desde Colombia onda corta Alcarav‡n Radio, potencia de m˙sica", 34444. 73 e buoni DX! (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA [and non]. 6010.1, Sept 24 at 0401 a weak signal offset here, presumably HJDH La Voz de tu Conciencia. Someone thought they had R. Mil, XEOI reactivated but it used to be slightly on the low side, and Juli·n Santiago DÌez de Bonilla in the DF confirms that is still absent. Beware of logging by timecheck, as until DST ends in Mexico, both are UT -5. 6010 is always weaker than sister station 5910 HJDH Alcarav·n Radio, due to antenna direxionality trying to protect MÈxico, which seems no longer to be necessary. And after 0500, all blown away by Cuba (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6010.2, La Voz de Tu Conciencia ñ Puerto Lleras, 0404-0423, Sep 23. man announcer with Spanish talk mentioning Colombia followed by soft vocals with guitar. TC at 0410 and ID followed by more music. Several IDs at 0416 followed by another man with a long talk. Fair to good (Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing PA 19610, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet Sept 23 via DXLD)

6010.11, LV de tu Conciencia, 0435-0450, Sept 26, lite instrumental music. Spanish inspirational music. ID at 0442 along with mention of Colombia. Poor to fair (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CONGO. 6115, R Congo, Brazzaville in French at 1815 (Sep 20); good, clear signal - better than on most days (Alexander [Koutamanis???],

Netherlands, Cumbredx via DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. 5954.3, Radio Rep˙blica (LimÛn), 0152, in Spanish. OM, music, 2 OMs with announcement (couldn't make out if ID), 0200 YL with extended talk, apparent phone interview or call in. 9/17/12 (Mark Taylor, Madison WI, WinRadio g313e, Grunding G1 & G5, Satellit 800; EWE, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet Sept 23 via DXLD)

** CUBA. 6000, Sept 20 at 0304 I notice that RHC is in Spanish here instead of English which is on 6050, more Spanish on 6060. After checking 11995, see GUIANA FRENCH, I also hear RHC on 12000, and here it is in English! Mixing with something else. Very strange, like the 6000 English transmitter is mistuned to go out on second harmonic instead while another one is on fundamental 6000 in Spanish?? At 0328 recheck, 6000 is back in English // 6050. Leave it to RHC to come up with yet another new anomaly.

17580, Sept 20 at 1239, as often happens here, no signal from RHC, tho 17730 is the SSOB. Then 17580 cuts on at *1240 with // Spanish programming in progress.

17475, Sept 21 at 1330, RHC IS and ID; not too distorted on AM, but with BFO it`s FMy, no specific carrier. This can`t be a conventional leapfrog mixing product between 17730 and 17580, since both end in -0 and the next lilypad would 150 kHz below at 17430 where there is nothing. Instead it must be a spur of one of the above; besides residing closer, 17580 is much stronger today than 17730, unusual. And then I find further FMy spurs around 17632 and 17528, i.e. 52 kHz above and below 17580, making 17476 double that displacement, 104 kHz down.

Several RHC frequencies have severe modulation and spur problems Sept 22. I assume caused by faulty studio-transmitter feed and the transmitters are unable to filter out the spurs, which peak 8-9 kHz away from the fundamentals, but FMy spreading about 5 kHz each. The spurs sound almost like CW, as they make squeaks varying depending on the modulation, and if there are adjacent legitimate signals, beat against them too. What a mess!

From 11860 at 1246: circa 11852 and 11868; undermodulation on 11860
From 11760 at 1247: same kind of spurs circa 11752 and 11768, despite no modulation at all on 11760 itself, where CRI English is clear under the RHC dead air. The one on 11752 is really messing up BBC on 11750, and at 1302 QRMing the other RHC on 11750! Now there are bits of modulation cutting on at peaks on 11760 itself.

From 17580 at 1254: spurs around 17572, 17588; at 1305, 17580 itself is very broken up

From 17730 at 1304: fundamental sounds OK, but spurs circa 17722, 17738

From 15340 at 1308, atop HCJB, fundamental breaking up badly, and spurs 15332, and 15348, the latter bothering Morocco 15349.1

Recheck at 1347 finds the spurs and breakup have ended, with these OK now: 17730, 17580, 15340; 13780 OK at 1351, 11860 & 11760 OK at 1353.

The weak RHC signals from the other site on 15230, 11750, 11690, 9540 were always OK. Except 15230 has some unrelated noise problem.

[and non]. 9955, UT Monday Sept 24 at 0513, heavy pulse jamming, and nothing audible from WRMI with scheduled WORLD OF RADIO. I have noticed that on other nights of the week during this period there is less jamming, as if Arnie allows the DentroCuban Jamming Command to target us deliberately. I suggest you boycott his DX program at the same and many other times, besides e-mailing your objexions to him.

9570, Sept 24 at 1255, RHC Spanish programming instead of CRI Cantonese, so it`s // 9550 and 9540. The latter two each have CCI from CRI direct! In Vietnamese and Chinese respectively. By 1327 the 9570 Cuban relay has been corrected to CRI English. Do they get a refund?

15340, Sept 24 at 1358, RHC is missing, uncovering HCJB Australia, at first not much from it, but picking up after 1400 with Urdu.

6010, Sept 26 at 0507, RHC big carrier is on but still no modulation. The three other English frequencies are nominal, but 6010 would have been superior if it weren`t mum. 6050 best, 6060 worst, both suffering usual ACI from 6055 Spain amid; 6125 middling with usual undermodulation but no ACI.

9525 & 9555 approx., spurblobs from RHC 9540 at matching displacements, Sept 26 at 1252 as I seek absent VOI on 9526. At least I think it is still absent, beneath this analog video-buzz sound from Cuba with some modulation // RHC 9550 and 9540. Still there tho weaker at 1339 // 9540 long after 9550 has closed. Modulation on 9540 itself sounds almost OK.

15340, Sept 26 at 1258, RHC is on early, getting a headstart on covering up/colliding with HCJB Australia. Often it`s a latestart and sometimes not at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 24895, Sept 22 at 1323, whenever I hear CW on 12m, I figure it`s most likely CO8LY, and I am correct: his CQ marker is running

over and over, amounting to a beacon. He must let it go most or all of the time. OSOB, nothing on SSB heard higher up, and only a bit of CW QRhaM nearby at 1340 check. CO8LY is Eduardo Somoano Cremati, in Santiago de Cuba, 90100, QSL only via his manager in Spain (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 24980-USB, Sept 21 at 1357, British accent discussing DX peditions, Xmas Island, etc., a ragchew with no IDs and other side inaudible. Says he went to Belize last, and next to South Cooks. NE USA stations in 1 and 2 call areas are chomping at the bit to work Norman, and they also propagate here, so call when they get a chance at 1405, and then he makes quick contacts with them, finally foneticizes his call as 5B1AIF. As in QRZ.com:

5B4AIF
Norman Banks
3 Saliminos Statos Ag Fotios
Paphos 8651
Cyprus
Listing there says it`s a club station, and next he will be going to Aitutaki Island on Dec 10, as E51E (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS/TURKEY ?? OTHR on S=9+30dB powerhouse at 0420 UT 9896 to 9924 kHz range (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 9898-9923, Sept 23 at 0353, OTH radar pulses, presumed from here, mainly blocking BBC Arabic on 9915, which until 0400 is definitely from Cyprus, then Woofferton UK. Wolfgang B¸schel also reported this: [as above]

18290-18315, Sept 21 at 1352, OTH radar pulsing, presumed from here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Speaking of Cyprus:

** DENMARK. 24940-USB, Sept 23 at 1344, 5Q4B, fonetik call from some exotic spot? Says using 3-element beam for 12 and 17m; apparently a contest is running, with quick exchanges of signal reports; bothered at 1346 by VFO sweeping up and down across. QRZ.com is sluggish today with everyone accessing it, but finally reveals it`s just Denmark. What`s wrong with a plain old OZ call? I would never have guessed 5Q = Denmark: 5Q4B, J. Vibaek, Box 83, Koege DK 4600, Denmark (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DIEGO GARCIA [and non]. 12759, 0336, AFN, good in USB mode with ìAll Hands Radio Newsî, then rock music 21/8. AFN Florida outlets also heard at this time on 12133.5-USB very good and 7811-USB poor (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to

North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

And 10 days later, Florida was closed down. Wonder if that `All Hands Radio News` could have been a local D.G. show?? (gh, DXLD)

CHAGOS ISLANDS. 4319, Sept 19 at 2107 UT. For once, AFRTS Diego Garcia ñ with usual English programming - without the noisy utility stations flawing its signal. Recording: http://bit.ly/PN9WXY (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Hmm, flaw as a verb, sure, why not? (gh)

** DJIBOUTI. 4780, Sept 15 at 2025 UT. Solid signal from Radio Djibouti. Afro-pop song, then short OM announcement. Brief music strip, then into what sounded like a radio drama, with OM and YL talks in unID language (not French, but can't tell between Arabic and Vernacular). Recording: http://bit.ly/PWOmyK (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 15110, Sept 20 at 1230 as I am straining to hear Bangladesh on 15105, with BFO on detecting only a JBA carrier, suddenly there is a clear 6-pip timesignal (??) ending at the odd time of 1232:03. It must have come from the 15110 transmitter, the pip pitch accounting for audibility 5 kHz away unlike the rest of the weak signal, which is per Aoki and HFCC: CRI in Chinese, 500 kW due west from Urumqi. 15110 is in turn much weaker than CNR1 jamming of VOA on 15115 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. [Re 12-38:] 1510, HD2IOA Guayaquil (Instituto Oceanogr·fico de la Armada del Ecuador) with distinctive time pips, mixing Spanish language station & US talker 0539 21/8 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 4781.67, R. Oriental, 2347 long canned announcement with mention of R. Oriental, then into LA Pop music a little distorted on the bass. 2 more songs. 2359 canned announcement by M with mention of Quito, and "...telefÛnicas en comunicadores... servicios tÈcnicos... en radio... de servicio". Then more music (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

Also quoted two logs of this from last week, WORLD OF RADIO 1636 (gh)

** ECUADOR. 6049.95, R. HCJB, Quito, 20/09 1145-1220, 44444, news deportivas, ID ìEscuche por HCJB la m˙sica nicarag¸enseî, m˙sica de Nicaragua, ID ì6 de la maÒana en el Ecuador continental y 5 de la maÒana en las Islas Gal·pagos, HCJB dio la seÒal horariaî

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** ECUADOR. Summary: A proposed law requires that there be 50% Ecuadorian Content for music broadcast on radio stations --- so get busy and record! (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

LA RADIO, UN RETO PARA LOS ACAD…MICOS.
Diego Ortiz J. Redactor Lunes 24/09/2012

El proyecto de Ley de ComunicaciÛn llega con un gran desafÌo para los compositores acadÈmicos:

logar que sus partituras sean registradas en formatos fonogr·ficos para asÌ cumplir la cuota del llamado ë1x1í que contempla el artÌculo 108 de este proyecto.

En otras palabras, los creadores deber·n grabar sus obras para que, con Èstas, las radiodifusoras logren cumplir lo que propone el artÌculo:

la m˙sica producida, compuesta o ejecutada en Ecuador, deber· representar al menos el 50% de los contenidos musicales (de los programas musicales que Èstas emitan). . .

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** EGYPT. 11560, 2016, Radio Cairo strong in French 5/8 but severe modulation problems meant best reception achieved in NFM mode! Commentary and local music (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m

BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** ERITREA [and non]. /ETHIOPIA, 7164.991, VBME-2 Asmara from Selea Daro site, HOA music at 0340 UT Sept 23, no ETH jamming at all observed today. S=9+5dB in Germany. VBME-1st program heard on 7204.986 kHz.

7200 even, same level both co-channel ETH in vernacular and Omdurman in Sudanese Arabic.

5950 probably R Tigre from ETH played HOA music at 0346 UT, fluttery S=8. Very weak underneath R TWN International from Okeechobee-FL-USA.

Tentative R Fana ETH bcast heard NOT SAME programe on 6110 and 7210 kHz, 6110 is stronger at S=8 level, 7210 much weaker on S=5 signal strength.

I don't understand this WHITE NOISE jamming signal on 9705 kHz in our morning. Heard today again on S=9 level at 0400 UT, aimed against Asmara Eritrea program? Or MALFUNCTION of Ethiopian TX gear, faulty selection of modulator mode by Addis Ababa engineers?

Puzzle, dear Tarek in Cairo, could you check this morning broadcasting procedure on 9705 kHz on more closer location and identify the broadcaster, ETH or ERI origin? (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Auch die ¸blichen Asmara 7165v und 7205v. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, 1550 UT Sept 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Wolfy, Checked 9705 kHz around 0420 and 0445 UT and all I can hear is the ETH white jammer with nothing in the background. ETH is using that jammer for all clandestine stations targeting ETH and some ERI transmissions as well. All the best (Tarek Zeidan, Egypt, UT Sept 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ESTONIA. 28521-USB, Sept 23 at 1355, ES1BA calling CQ, i.e. per http://qrzcq.com/call/ES1BA --- Vyacheslav (slava) Abramov, 10316 Tallin, Estonia, who must be an ethnic Russian lingerer (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. ERITREA/ETHIOPIA/SUDAN, Asmara-1 program heard on 7204.987, ETH? Seemingly on 7199.983, Sudan on 7199.997, and ETH also on 7234.640 ... wandering up and down at x.655 kHz, and 9558.453 kHz also 1530 UT Sept 20 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Auch drei verschiedene ETH Programme auf 5950, 7234.586 und 9558.422

in der Luft. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, 1550 UT Sept 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FIJI. Ian Cattermole, Blenheim is back from his holiday in Fiji and adds this local colour after I wondered about a small radio:

ìNo, I didnít take any receiver at all so (Iím) unable to confirm definitely that 558 is the only (transmitter still) on AM but did do a quick scan on the hotel room radio and was only able to raise the one on 558. That was in Suva though. We were mainly in Suva and Nadi where we go each year. Actually we will be back there in December for a family reunion which is going to be a big event. Life there as usual (is) pretty quiet and placid, nice place to go but the people in Suva seem to be more each year.

I did read somewhere that over 25% of the Fiji population live in the greater Suva region and I can well believe it. The CBD [central business district = downtown = city centre] isnít much larger than in the late 50ís when population (was) only about 25,000, now catering for about 8 times that number, hence the crowds.

Contrary to what we read I never saw even one army person and life seems happy and quiet. They are now gearing up for the 2014 elections with registration being carried out in public places such as supermarkets, etc. All citizens have to register to be able to vote so (itís) quite a large task. I noted that each one is photographed as part of registration, with quite some waiting time at the big supermarket in Suva as they all line up. An in-store coffee bar was right next to the registration area so we watched all this going on several occasions (Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** FRANCE. I don`t hear France on 1557 kHz at 2112 UT? 73, (Maurits van Driessche, Belgium, Sept 25, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. No more DRM from Deutschlandradio --- It appears that Deutschlandradio this week finally finished off with the DRM system they considered a failure already two years ago. 855 kHz has apparently been turned off, and 177 kHz is reported as now always running in AM again. So far a token slot for DRM had still been kept here between 1 and 4 AM after a fulltime use of DRM, introduced for IFA 2005 and commented there with "there are listeners calling, saying your transmitter is broken, putting out only noise, ha-ha-ha, how funny!", had been reverted after less than four months to avoid unwanted discussions.

Deutschlandradio had, just like RTL, big hopes for DRM, leading to substantial investments. All MW/LW transmission facilities not only got new Transradio solid-state equipment, also a number of antenna

systems had to be upgraded to achieve the bandwith necessary to run DRM. Quite a lot of licence fee payers money, wasted (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Sept 22, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

-----Original Message-----
Date: Sat, 22 Sep 2012 00:51:07 +0200
Subject: [A-DX] LW-Zehlendorf: DRM-Betrieb ausgesetzt?

Seit vorgestern konnte ich auf 177 kHz zu unueblichen Zeiten DR-Kultur in AM-Betrieb hoeren:
am 20.09. 02:05 - 03:00 UT
am 21.09. 00:00 - 00:50 UT (Ende meiner Hoerzeit)

Auch auf der Berliner MW 855 scheint es zur Zeit keine DRM-Ausstrahlung zu geben, wie einer Meldung im Radioforum zu entnehmen ist:
<http://radioforum.foren.mysnip.de/read.php?8773,1028320,page=2>
73, Hubert (A-DX via Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

That explains why there has been no "hiss" on 855 kHz lately. The signal was audible here in Romania in the evenings and I was planning to take my Newstar DR111 DRM radio to a quiet location, raise an antenna and try to decode it. Too late for that now.

I am curious if they had other reasons to consider DRM a failure, besides the lack of receivers (Tudor Vedeanu (Gura Humorului, Romania), Sept 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Audible in Romania, which means interfering Tancabesti? Wow.

The old analogue operation with 100 kW got at night, when screened towards Romania and thus my location (50 km north of Dresden), completely drowned out by Tancabesti. It was pretty much different with the DRM hiss, although it is certainly noticeable that Tancabesti is no longer the 1500 kW it used to be (what was this, perhaps 2 x Tesla SRV-750?).

And it could now be too late to try out DRM from Germany altogether. Hardly anyone cared for the various flea-powered signals and what became of them, but at least nothing of substantial power appears to be on air anymore now, if I do not miss something.

The failure can be summarized as a complete absence of any interest in the system. Which should be hardly a surprise when considering what it had to offer.

In fact the failure was obvious already at yearend 2005: On IFA "they"

promised receivers appearing in time for Christmas. Nothing came out at all, and so Deutschlandradio had after a bit more than three months to revert to AM on 177 to avoid unwanted discussions about spending a lot of money on a signal nobody can listen to. Still a nighttime token had been kept on 177 and the complete DRM offer on 855. But after almost ten years hardly anyone will have the patience to still continue the ride on a dead horse. Good night (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 0019 UT Sept 23, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, ibid.)

That is really good news for DXers and a total surrender for DLR. I noted 177 kHz off DRM early this week and confirmed 855 kHz two or three days ago. The DRM on 855 kHz has been especially annoying for Swedish DXers as the frequency has been useless for other listening and the DRM also has caused problems on 850 and 860 kHz (Olle Alm, Sweden, Sept 22, BCDX 22 Sept via DXLD)

** GERMANY [non]. RWANDA. 7300, Deutsche Welle, *0300 IS and Swahili ID by M, then news. Was surprised to hear mention of R. Mauritius at 0322 before I found out this was DW!! (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** GERMANY [and non]. Michael P¸tz of Media Broadcast GmbH, Cologne, informed me that they do not send cards by mail any more, however reception reports are verified by eQSLs. It seems that only Michael P¸tz and Walter Brodowsky are doing the whole job there nowadays.

These 24 eQSLs were received three weeks ago: Nauen (6010, 9695, 9800, 9810, 11955, 11995, 13615, 13630, 13645, 13655, 13700, 13740, 15315), Wertachtal (9840, 11690, 11935, 13605, 13655, 15325, 15470), Issoudun (13660, 13790), Trincomalee (13735), MontsinÈry (11830). Family Radio sent these cards: Ascension (11615, 12070), Meyerton (5905), Almaty (7590), Abu Dhabi (11850), Okeechobee (6115).î (G¸nter Jacob in Passau, Germany still looks for answers to those roaming reports, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** GOA [and non]. INDIA, 11669.967, Odd signal of AIR Pashtu service, oscillated around 1525-1530 UT Sept 18, S=7 in Germany, male announcer. Puzzle, - need more monitoring. DXindia and Aoki list show AIR Bangalore fine tx site. But these Brown Boveri transmitters never use such frequency offset of 33 Hertz, so seemingly Goa Panaji tx on duty on this channel instead.

INDIA/RWANDA, 17809.950, Annoying BUZZ of approx. 50 Hertz noted on fluttery bad mixture signal of AIR Telugu service from Goa Panaji site, S=7-9, hit even frequency DWL French service to Africa from Kigali Rwanda relay site. 1225 UT Sept 21 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 22 Sept via DXLD)

** GREECE [and non]. 15630, Monday Sept 24 at 2023-2130+, V. of Greece is playing popular classical music instead of Greek music; is this a regular program or a substitute? Unfortunately, WEWN 15610 is extremely strong, boosting its constant squishy spurs not only at plus/minus 9 kHz, but the second order out at plus/minus 18 kHz, i.e. 15592, and 15628 QRMing Greece, which must be side-tuned upwards to minimize this. (Once again, WWCR 15825 at about the same distance was not extremely strong, in fact, poor with no enhancement --- much underpowered below 100 kW?) At 2115 ERT was playing The Blue Danube, followed by other Strauss waltzes such as The Emperor; mostly unannounced except for a brief break at 2130 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Same observation Tuesday 25 until s/off (at approx. 0200) on 9420. Strong signal, nice classical music. Regards (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Perhaps due to a general strike? (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD) Viz.:

** GREECE. 9721, around 0640 UT Sept 26th. At times of Greek general strike one has time for pirate station games. Not here locally on my gear, but on the excellent remote net Perseus DL0AO loop antenna of ALA 100 type in Amberg and at ForlÏ in Italy the MiniWhip I hear a Greek pirate station played with Greek music. So who wants to test his antenna in the 31 mb. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 5765-USB, Sept 23 at 1222, JBA talk, presumably AFN still active, with NPR WESUN. Too weak to get a definite // to KOSU which is IBOC-delayed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM [and non]. 9585, Sept 24 at 1258 mixture of Thai from R. Japan via SINGAPORE, and KTWR IS. Former closed with 4+1 timesignal at 1300, but IS continued, then opening listed Sgaw Karen from AgaÒa. Recheck at 1348, now 9585 bears clear BBC Burmese via Singapore (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 15605, Sept 15 at 15.55 UT. KSDA-AWR with OM in Hindi. // with 15290 (from Sri Lanka), which a stronger signal here. Mention of "Adventist World Radio" at 1558, then into music, but abrupt s/off. Recording: http://bit.ly/SdOEkq (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17680, Sept 26 at 1304, very poor signal in Cambodian. Usually unheard, but band is really hot today. HFCC shows KSDA, 100 kW due

west at 1300-1330(Sunday to 1400). Much weaker than neighbor 17670 Vatican via Madagascar in Vietnamese. 17680 off by 1330. This would have been buried by CVC Chile while it existed in the mornings, but did not start until 24 July once that had contracted to afternoons in preparation for oblivion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUIANA FRENCH [and non]. 11995, Sept 20 at 0259 I am checking RTI Spanish relay, which is closing with full Spanish schedule announcement; will they turn off the carrier or not? They do, but before 0300 another weaker one starts up with a SAH and produces a timesignal. That`s listed as BBC Urdu via UAE at 03-04. And wouldn`t you know it, tonight there is no OC with hum later on at 0527 check; meanwhile this time Turkey 11980 is good and not fluttery.

11995, Sept 22 at 0356 the open carrier with hum is back here, poor signal, and not on 9490, where something sounding just like it was heard 23 hours earlier; presumed TDF relay burning megawatts for nothing. Still at 0440, seemed to be a trace of talk modulation too.

11995, Sept 23 at 0336 the open carrier with hum, presumed from here, is on again this early, also at 0429 check.

11995, Sept 26 at 0528, presumed MontsinÈry is still running its inexplicable open carrier with some hum (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAWAII. 1270, KNDI Honolulu in Samoan 0845 27/8. Website confirms they have Samoan program local Sundays & Thursdays 9.30pm till midnight Hawaii time [0730-1000 UT] (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** INDIA. 4775, AIR Imphal. For a while now this has been noticeably off the air; through Sept 20.

4850, AIR Kohima. Last time I heard this was Aug 22 and believe they have been more-or-less off the air since then. Heard Sept 20 from 1351 with ads and into the news in English; clear ìThis is All India Radio Kohimaî ID with sign off announcement before 1403*; poor.

4990, AIR Itanagar, 1415-1425*, Sept 20. Theme music for the news; news in Hindi; theme music again; news in English ending with theme music again and off; poor. In another month Kohima and Itanagar should have much better reception.

4775, AIR Imphal. Sept 21 still inactive.

4850, AIR Kohima. Sept 21 off the air today after yesterdayís reappearance for just one day; checking randomly from 1200 to 1300 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4840, Sept 15 at 1727 UT. AIR Mumbai with a short YL talk in Hindi, then into OM on a music background. At 1728, typical subcontinent song, faded at 1729 for YL sign-off talk. Recording: http://bit.ly/PyAqMZ (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. The following AIR stations were heard between 1345 and 1430, September 25th. Most were weak, some very much so and ID is presumed. As Autumn has arrived here in North America, signals should improve over the coming weeks.

4775 Imphal
4800 Hyderabad
4810 Bhopal
4820.8 Kolkata, mixing with Lhasa 4820
4840 Mumbai
4850 Kohima
4870 Delhi
4880 Lucknow
4895 Kurseong
4920 Chennai
4965 Shimla
4970 Shillong
4990 Itanagar
5010 Thiruvananthapuram
5040 Jeypore

4840, AIR Mumbai, 1430 Sept 25, English, five minutes of regional news to 1435, then return to Hindi. This was was one of the better AIR signals this morning. The only other channel that had this newscast was 4820.8 Kolkata. Poor (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. AIR Leh observed on 4660 instead of scheduled 4760 at 1500 UT on 26th Sept 2012. This morning also noted on 4660 during 0140 UT check in. --- (Jose Jacob VU2JOS, Hyderabad, India via Alokesh Gupta, dx_india yg via DXLD)

AIR Leh noted on 4660.3 kHz today 27 Sept 12 also instead of 4760. Schedule is: 0128-0430 1130-1630. When music is played it`s clear but

when announcer speaks it`s not clear (like low modulation). Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Mobile: +91 94416 96043, http://www.qsl.net/vu2jos DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Dear friends, Today and tomorrow ie (23 & 24 Sept 2012) the Vividh Bharati Service on 9870 is broadcast via Delhi transmitter instead of via Bengaluru. The sked is: 0025-0435, 0900-1200, 1245-1740

Reception reports are requested especially from Middle East for the following External Service via Bengaluru
0215-0300 Kannada 11985, 15120
Reception report may be sent to:

Mr. T. Rajendiran
Superintending Engineer
All India Radio
Super Power Transmitters
Yelahanka New Town
Bengaluru 560065
Karnataka, India

Email: rajendiran37 @ yahoo.com

Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dx_india yg via DXLD)

AIR Vividh Bharati via Bengaluru is back today on 9870 after being off for last 2 days due to maintenance. They were off at: 0025-0435, 0900-1200 transmissions. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Sept 25 dx_india hyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. ALL INDIA RADIO'S SPECIAL TRANSMISSION FOR "MAHALAYA"
Date : 15th Oct 2012 (Monday)
Time : 2225-0015 UT (0355-0545 IST)

"Mahalaya" is a special two hour transmission consisting of Sanskrit recitation & music orated by Late Shri Birendra Krishna Bhadra. All India Radio has been broadcasting this program since early 1930s. Count down of Indian festival of Durga Puja starts from the day of Mahalaya. Frequencies:

SW
4760 - Port Blair
4810 - Bhopal
4820 - Kolkata
4835 - Gangtok
4880 - Lucknow

4895 - Kurseong
4940 - Guwahati
4965 - Shimla
9425 - Delhi (Khampur) ex Bengaluru
9470 - Aligarh

MW
549 - Ranchi
603 - Ajmer
621 - Patna A
648 - Indore A
657 - Kolkata A
666 - New Delhi B
675 - Chattarpur
711 - Siliguri
729 - Guwahati A
747 - Lucknow A
756 - Jagdalpur
774 - Shimla
801 - Jabalpur
810 - Rajkot A
819 - New Delhi A
846 - Ahmedabad A
909 - Gorakhpur
918 - Suratgarh
954 - Nazibabad
981 - Raipur
1008 - Kolkata B
1026 - Allahabad A
1044 - Mumbai A
1125 - Tezpur
1179 - Rewa
1215 - Delhi
1242 - Varanasi
1260 - Ambikapur
1296 - Darbhanga
1314 - Bhuj
1386 - Gwalior
1395 - Bikaner
1404 - Gangtok
1458 - Bhagalpur
1476 - Jaipur A
1530 - Agra
1566 - Nagpur
1584 - Mathura
1593 - Bhopal A

Observation by Jose Jacob during 2011 Mahalaya transmission by AIR:

Here are my observations of special Mahalaya programs on AIR early this morning (26 Sept 2011 UT). Sign on was noted at 5 different timings as follows:

2225 UT (3.55 am IST): Sign on 4760, 4820, 4835, 4880, 4940, 4965, 603, 657, 666, 747, 1386, 1395, 1404, 1476, 1530, 1584
2230 UT (4.00 am): Sign on 4895
2250 UT (4.20 am): Sign on 846, 1179, 1242, 1296
2255 UT (4.25 am): Sign on 4810 549?, 621, 648, 810, 1260, 1314, 1458, 1593
2300 UT (4.30 am): Sign on 801

Note: AIR National Channel on 1215, 1566, 9425 & 9470 cancelled their News broadcasts during 2230 to 2240 and carried Mahalaya programs.
Related links:

Mahalaya: Invoking the Mother Goddess
A Once-a-Year Popular Radio Program
http://hinduism.about.com/cs/audiomusic/a/aa092003a.htm

Mahalaya - Birendrakrishna Bhadra
http://calcuttaglobalchat.net/calcuttablog/mahalaya/

Mahalaya - Audio & Video
http://www.durgapuja-images.com/2008/09/mahalaya-listen-download-online-watch.html
(Alokesh Gupta,VU3BSE, New Delhi, Sept 20, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA [and non]. 3325, Sept 20 at 1216, some talk is making it thru the hi line noise level here, sounds Indonesian, so presumed RRI Palangkaraya, but also a slow SAH which could be from PNG. Very weak carriers elsewhere on 90m match PNG channels: 3205, 3235, 3315, none higher that 3325 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3325, RRI Palangkaraya, 1303-1333, Sept 20. Special coverage from the Riau Stadium for the closing ceremony of the National Games; singing; speeches about the athletes; along with announcers commentary; all with background sounds from the stadium; certainly one of their better receptions; part of the time // 4749.95 RRI Makassar, but not // 9680 RRI Jakarta (which has been bothered by Firedrake for about the past three days, from before 1200 to past 1400).

https://www.box.com/s/wflvj7li1pb4xkwsr0vf
has MP3 audio file (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. YouTube: Tour of RRI Ujung Pandang site --- Tour of Radio Republik Indonesia shortwave broadcast transmitter site at

Bontosunggu, Ujung Pandang, Indonesia 1995. Filmed during installation of GEC Marconi B6131 250 kW HF broadcast transmitters and associated antennas for the RRI National Broadcast Project.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdFl_a38Rng
(Mike Barraclough, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Since re-renamed Makassar, i.e.: (gh)

4750, RRI Makassar, 1305 Sept 25, beginning weekly Tuesday English program, ìKang Guru Indonesiaî, man and woman hosts (Kevin and Ana according to Ron Howard and I believe I heard her identify herself as Anita), said there would be an item from the Australian Embassy in Jakarta, 1310 into music. Checked back at 1324 and they were interviewing an Australian singer who spoke Indonesian. 1330 ìnext week on KGIî, closing announcements including email and postal address for KGI, 1332 ending with invitation to listen again, ìEnjoy learning and practicing your English.î

3325 Palangkaraya was not carrying KGI. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. [Re 12-38:] Christian, Mauno and Tarek, Congratulations on winning the trip to Indonesia. I must look into their next contest!

I am eager to know if you visited the VOI 9526 transmitter which has now been off the air for weeks, and when on is very defective in modulation. Did you have any discussions with them about what the problem is with their SW service, and whether they are ever going to bring it back? Are you publishing any reports on your visit?
73, (Glenn to Milling, Ritola and Zeidan, Sept 20, via DXLD)

Hi Glenn, Thank you. I added Didarul to the delivery list, because he was one of the winners and also a DXer. Actually Tarek and I were very lucky, because the Chinese and Frenchman didn't go and we were chosen as substitutes.

Unfortunately we didn't. The programme was all set up in beforehand and it was very tight. We asked about it, but Jakarta traffic jams are terrible and it would have taken a long time to visit the site. Also some permissions possibly needed etc.

It has been back, haven't you noticed? They just have difficulties to keep it on the air, because the transmitter is old and they haven't been able to find spare parts. Maybe you with all your contacts are able to help them?

We have written some reports there, for VOI and Ministry of Tourism. Personally I don't have [time] in the nearest weeks, but maybe later. What about you other guys, Didarul for example? 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It`s been missing since Sept 7, at least during the 13-14 English broadcast when I check, and just about all the time according to Atsunori Ishida http://www.rri.jpn.org/

Then there is the question of all those other high-power SW transmitters that they supposedly installed several years ago at Cimanggis, or elsewhere, and what happened to them. I guess this has been discussed at swsites. Any new info about those? 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Glenn, yes, seems that they are now off for a longer time. Maybe something broken again in the transmitter? About all the other transmitters: I have understood from some earlier mentions that the ones in Bonto Sunggu were just left to rot and I guess the ones in Cimanggis have been dismantled or used as spare parts for the remaining transmitters. 73, (Mauno Ritola, ibid.)

** INDONESIA. 9680.054, RRI Indonesia 4, 1130-1200 Sept 21, Noted a female talking in Indonesian language while music in back ground. Tune being played is "Anchors Aweigh". Many mentions of Indonesia . Signal was good and clear (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, 26N 081W, Excalibur, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA: Firedrake 9680

** INTERNATIONAL INTERNET. DATA CENTERS WASTE VAST AMOUNTS OF ENERGY, BELYING INDUSTRY IMAGE - NYTimes.com September 22, 2012

Power, Pollution and the Internet By JAMES GLANZ

SANTA CLARA, Calif. -- Jeff Rothschild's machines at Facebook had a problem he knew he had to solve immediately. They were about to melt.

The company had been packing a 40-by-60-foot rental space here with racks of computer servers that were needed to store and process information from members' accounts. The electricity pouring into the computers was overheating Ethernet sockets and other crucial components.

Thinking fast, Mr. Rothschild, the company's engineering chief, took some employees on an expedition to buy every fan they could find -- "We cleaned out all of the Walgreens in the area," he said -- to blast cool air at the equipment and prevent the Web site from going down.

That was in early 2006, when Facebook had a quaint 10 million or so

users and the one main server site. Today, the information generated by nearly one billion people requires outsize versions of these facilities, called data centers, with rows and rows of servers spread over hundreds of thousands of square feet, and all with industrial cooling systems.

They are a mere fraction of the tens of thousands of data centers that now exist to support the overall explosion of digital information. . .

http://www.nytimes.com/2012/09/23/technology/data-centers-waste-vast-amounts-of-energy-belying-industry-image.html?pagewanted=print

The Cloud Factories

This is the first article in a series about the physical structures that make up the cloud, and their impact on our environment. [link:] Part 2: Data Barns in a Farm Town, Gobbling Power and Flexing Muscle

(via Mike Cooper, DXLD) Very long and important story; you may feel guilty about reading it on a screen instead of paper (gh, DXLD)

** IRAN. 11920, Sept 23 at 0337, VIRI news theme and then English news by YL, having got the opening Qur`anic exercises out of the way preventing news promptly on the Iranian hour. Somewhat undermodulated and distorted audio, slightly better on synchronized // 13650. Tho from different sites: 11910 Kamalabad 324 degrees, 13650 Sirjan 330 per HFCC. In B-12 they change to Sirjan 11770, Kamalabad 9710, different than last winter. Will those avoid collisions?

15400, Sept 25 at 1304 Qur`an, fair with flutter, and not // BSKSA 17615/17625. Because it`s VIRI, Urdu service at 1300-1427, 500 kW, 118 degrees from Kamalabad (plus another hour in Bengali at 178 degrees, i.e. not toward Bengal at all but UAE).

21670, Sept 25 at 1310, very poor signal from algo, music and talk. Per Aoki must be VIRI Malaysian service, 500 kW, 115 degrees from Sirjan.

13730, Sept 25 at 1328 VIRI IS, fair with flutter. This seems unusual; 1330 opening in Chinese ID, NA, but cut off abruptly at 1330.5*. That`s because the slipshod Kamalabad operator failed to turn off the Pashto broadcast of the previous hour on this frequency. Trouble is, there is no Chinese scheduled at 1330, just Japanese from Kamalabad on 15555, which I did not check, not having the full schedule at hand

15300, Sept 26 at 1258, VIRI IS, heavy flutter, 1300 NA, 1301 opening presumed Urdu as scheduled, 500 kW, 109 degrees from Kamalabad; 1302 Qur`an. Nothing on 15400, where I heard the same (?) service

yesterday. I`m not convinced it`s Urdu, maybe a mistimed language.

As for the unscheduled Chinese heard yesterday at 1330 on 13730, it now occurs to me that VIRI may have been confused by the end of DST in Iran a few days earlier, as Chinese on other frequencies is supposed to be at 12-13 UT yearound. At a previous local time change, they had warned listeners that program times would shift by UT, when in fact they did not, only the local clox in the studios. Nothing today at 1328 on 13730 either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. Radio Rehoye Iran in Farsi:
1700-1730 on 7530#KCH 100 kW / 100 deg to WeAs Mon-Fri #test on Sep. 14, but no transmissions on Sep. 20/21. Please check again from Sep. 24 (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept 23, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

If this be regular, it will get in the way of R. Hargeisa moving out of the hamband to this former frequency (gh, ibid.)

** IRAN [non]. 9760, Sept 26 at 0522, R. Nikkei 2 has CCI atop it from songs, cuts off abruptly at 0530* after timesignal, clearing Japan. As scheduled, it`s R. Farda, 100 kW, 104 degrees at 0230-0530 via Lampertheim, GERMANY, per Aoki, while HFCC says 108 degrees, and EiBi doesn`t show any azimuths (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND [non]. 17685, 1454, 23-09-2012, RT… Radio One broadcasting live the All-Ireland Football Final. There were some spots and adverts. At 1656 the weather forecast and a segment into Gaelic language. Abrupt sign off at 1700. The other frequencies were not audible. SINPO 35333 (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17685 via UK, and 17540 via SOUTH AFRICA, Sunday Sept 23 at 1459 check, RTE Football Final special is very poor on both; I can only tell that some irrational announcer is excited about a silly ballgame, and surely not worth further pursuit. They will be back one week later for hurling replay, then gone again until next September (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Both 17540 and 17685 kHz audible here at 1430 UT with fair reception when match started (but not 7505). Parallel to 252 kHz longwave. (Alan Pennington, Caversham UK, AOR 7030+ longwire, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

UNITED KINGDOM, 17685, 1414-, RTE, All Ireland Football final Sep 23. Poor to fair reception with play by play of the Irish football final. Parallels from Meyerton at threshold for 17540 and just barely visible on the Perseus SDR waterfall on 7505. When rechecked at 1436,

conditions had picked up with threshold audio on 7505, and both 17540 and 17685 at fair/good level. Continues to improve with good/very good reception now at 1520 after ads, and mentions of Radio One. Nice to hear so many local ads. Tickets for only 55 Euros, and a physician working for Medecins sans Frontiers. Both Meyerton and Skelton doing very well, with the edge to Skelton. A hint of long/short path echo on the Skelton transmitter only, making the Meyerton transmission a little clearer. 'RT sports on Radio One' ID at 1523 (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reception just dived here on the WCNA after 1530. I did note that 17540 via Meyerton continued past 1600 for a couple of minutes, while 11915 was already on at 1600, so two different transmitters used. Right now, at 1615, 11915 is the best with good reception. I think people are starting to turn on their plasma televisions, etc. around me. Very good propagation all around this morning, though. Fun to get back to some serious DXing! Now I understand why I love my cottage on Haida Gwaii so much. No noise, and, as Marie Lamb used to say, "The world's out there for the listening". 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

** ISRAEL. 6973, Sept 23 at 0343, trolling the pirate band, first I find music on AM here, soon Hebrew announcement from Galei Zahal; fair signal. I never hear it after 0500, tho sometimes in summer 15850 made it then. Local sunrise there is currently about 0330 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. 10000, ITALCABLE Friends, 1655 22 September, Time signal in Italian, "bip bip bip ore 18,55", 44444 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

QSL Italcable --- Che rispondessero anche con la QSL, questa non la immaginavo! Roby

Inviato da Roberto tramite Google Reader:

QSL Italcable
<http://maresmedx.blogspot.com/2012/09/qsl-italcable.html>

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(via Roberto Rizzardi, Sept 21, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

** ITALY [non]. The importance of listeners' response on shortwave

Hello there from Milano, Italy, Dear listeners and friends, It's a difficult time for any shortwave broadcasting station, you probably know that already. For a number of reasons, stations again close theirs transmitting sites, and leave the air, indefinitely. Some other reduced the number of hours, and are just about to shut down, anytime now.

I will not elaborate on the dream of a digital shortwave world (DRM) that kept many stations on the air until recently in the hope of reaching millions of new listeners worldwide. Unfortunately DRM receivers will hardly come into mass production, and if they will ever come it will be too late to resurrect the dead.

As you know, it's a difficult time also for everyone individually and company-wise, and not only for those employed by large government broadcasters who shut down their shortwave operations to "save" tax money.

Today I want to share the content of a phone call with one of our long-time broadcasters, who will remain anonymous. Our role at IRRS and NEXUS-IBA has always been to provide the best possible signal to any desired target, but this is not enough. Our broadcasters are extremely concerned by the general lack of response from shortwave listeners. The essence of each broadcaster request is quite the same: "We need response, WE NEED LISTENERS's RESPONSE!, to allow us to continue broadcasting on shortwave." We always made this point very clear, when we tell you that we do need comments to our program content, NOT just mere reception reports.

If you've been sitting close to your receiver at the other side of our transmitters, I want to explain you what is the mechanism that keeps a program (any program) on the air and keeps a non-government shortwave station like ours alive: behind a program producer there is always a

bunch of "supporters", i.e. a church, a charity, a foundation, some kind of organized group or even a wealthy person. They mostly share a worthy cause or a common idea to change the world: politically, culturally, or religiously. Sometimes small program producers (like those who air on our station via "IPAR: International Public Access Radio") even support the costs and efforts to produce a radio program by themselves. They all share one thing, that is unique on non-government international broadcasting stations: they need listeners' response to show their supporters (or themselves) that their efforts are worth the money that each of them is contributing.

Without those who produce a program, but have no station on their own, and rely on us to bring their messages to you, we have no reason to exist. Our mission is to be a "nexus", i.e. a link between a program producer and our listeners. We do not discriminate, we are not a religious station, we are not biased by any political or religious idea, and we want to present those many different opinions that our broadcasting members want to share. This is what we wrote in the NEXUS association charter
http://www.nexus.org/charter.htm
and the essence of our daily work in international broadcasting.

Do you know that a radio or TV program can also make a few people rich? And many program producers want to use shortwave to this effect. However, this can happen only in some parts of the world, like the USA. Even a small, low power station in the USA, in fact, provides plenty of listeners' response by means of phone calls, letters, and emails to keep supporters happy, and money flowing. And above all: many listeners in the USA gratefully contribute to their radio station and their favorite program by sending in checks (cheques) in the mail, from a few dollars to thousands and hundred thousands of dollars. I have seen this personally on a large scale at a Christian station in northern California, where tens of old ladies were opening hundreds of letters, each with quite some money inside, and registering each contribution on their PC (BTW: have you ever seen any of those rich and famous preachers on a a US TV station?)

Unfortunately it's hard to expect any money in the mail from listeners that we cover in Europe, Asia, Middle East or Africa. In fact we never asked and never got any listeners' cheque in more than 30 years, and we just about get (sometimes, not all the time) enough money to cover return postage for any QSL request.

In the end, once again our broadcasters demand that we get listeners' response, otherwise it's difficult to show their supporters that anybody is listening. Most of those on our station are not asking for money, but just listeners comments, phone calls or any kind of response to show that you are being reached with their message.

It's been quite strange to hear tonight from our broadcaster that they get tens of letters and phone calls from Africa and Europe every day, but mostly for their broadcasts on "another station". This let us wonder somehow: how is it that our signal is good, and listeners do not write, and they do not call the numbers given on the air? Are those letters and phone calls a fabrication to keep this program on that particular station?

I look forward to your comments and suggestions. We will reply to each email personally. Please also mention whether you listen to our programs, on which frequency, and when, and if we can do better to continue to be your favorite station. This will help us greatly to improve and stay on the air.

Please visit our web site for more information on our daily programs: http://www.nexus.org/Schedules/

or write us at reports @ nexus.org for more information.
Thank you and stay tuned! 73s, Alfredo (Alfredo E. Cotroneo, CEO, NEXUS-Int'l Broadcasting Association, Sept 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Alfredo, I certainly sympathize with your sentiments. The trouble is, most of your business is from strange religious broadcasters, who are a big turn-off to most listeners. No wonder there is no response. It`s a pity there are not more rational programmers out there interested in SW coverage. In North America of course this is all rather moot, as we can hardly hear IRRS nor do you attempt to cover this part of the world. 73, (Glenn to Alfredo, via DXLD)

Dear Glenn, Thank you very much for your note. It is true that we cannot always provide very interesting programs, simply because we only get funded by the big guys, and those include some of the people/organizations that someone may find entertaining. It's a typical "catch 22": we might air some more interesting programs, but we rely on mostly religious organizations who pay their airtime, and we have to live with absolutely no listener, no government and no corporate support. It would be nice to live in the US and have a different situation, but actually 99% of our costs are covered only by membership fees paid by Christian broadcasters.

As for IRRS-Shortwave not aiming at the USA: there is too much competition out there. The typical cost of airtime from US Shortwave stations is around 30 dollars per hour, on some heavily marketed stations that claim 50 to 100 kW but in fact they may be less than 10 kW PEP on very old tube transmitters. I wish the FCC could do a more thorough examination of those stations, because if I am right, the minimum power for a SW station to get a license in the USA is still 50

kW. There is no way except perhaps a pirate or ham radio operator to reach the USA from Europe with less than 30 US dollars (23 Euros) operational cost per hour :-(

When we chose to air at 150-300 kW from professional rather than amateur or very old transmitters (also called wooden or Russian transmitters here) we played the "quality" option, so our costs are higher for ecample than Armenia, Ukraine and Russia. However iour signal is solid, digitally modulated, and we operate at the declared carrier power (not PEP), with 110% CCM modulation, using modern transmitters. Besides the other services that we offer, quality is also meant to differentiate our signal & modulation from the competition. Nevertheless, we try to provide always alternative and interesting program material, even if sometimes we have to use our own funds to cover part of the cost of the airtime.

WOR is a typical case, when it gets on the air (not frequently as I would like to, I am afraid). For example besides music you will hear now more often news, and feature programs not available on other stations, especially when we need to fill empty slots.

I know we've been late and intermittent in delivering QSL cards, I apologize with listeners, but we're going to do better is a few weeks. However there has been no easy solution until now, because this is mainly related to the fact that we had to cut costs to pay for the airtime, and we do not have enough volunteers helping with QSLs. This will change very soon, though, because we are testing an automated way to process and mail "real" vs electronic QSL cards. We will have many new QSL cards as well. We will send an announcement over our mailing list soon.

There is another item that is more "delicate" and may be the subject of another article/email. This also hidden between the lines of my email yesterday.

We are more than ever confronted with agents or fake stations that offer cheap airtime to several organizations or individuals, not only Christian. In one case a fake US agency was listing and offering tens of not existing frequencies and selling packages on fake stations around the world. None of these frequencies was operational. Linked to this scam, is the fact that program producers were extremely satisfied because they received regular emails and letters from so-called "listeners". In at least one case that we had at hand, it was a complete fabrication and fraud.

We are just wondering whether this scheme is adopted by some representative or agency at other stations, whose signal sometime is there, and sometimes is not, it is often publicized as 100-500% of the

real TX power, and still is able to provide lots of feedback daily from so-called listeners.

I can not make any name, but we assisted organizations who have been hit by this scam, and it's hard to uncover unless we have access to almost real time monitoring from around the world. It would be nice to be able to get the real source that fabricate these fake letters, but we've been unsuccessful so far. And of course by demonstrating that there is no signal out-there from these stations it was really easy. I am not talking about reception reports, but someone who fabricates real "I-am-saved" letters coming from Africa, Asia and Europe, that makes every Christian preacher immensely happy .. to stay on these stations. Again, besides augmented power from US or old Russian transmitters, we see this is one of the problems affecting shortwave broadcasting today.

Thanks again for your comments. Let us know if there is any more reaction on the above. It will greatly help. Keep in touch. 73s, (Alfredo Cotroneo, ibid.)

Alfredo, On fake, scams, I assume you refer to DX Radio Service (isn`t that the name?) which I believe we discussed some time ago. Sounds like his M.O. After all these years I really don`t understand why some victims don`t haul him into court.

Yes, the exaggerated power factor is also certainly a problem, as one can only take the word of the stations (well, without approaching the sites and measuring the RF, etc.)

However, the fact that you refuse to disclose your transmitter sites also makes it *seem* as tho you have something to hide, even if you are being honest about the power and coverage (and existence!) of your services. With the exception of the widespread disinformation about sites in Russia, prolonged into the post-Soviet era, I can`t think of any other SW service which won`t say where it is really transmitting from, even persuading HFCC to consider it ``Milano``.

Another thing: there has been a report of IRRS closing down with the Italian national anthem. Could you confirm whether or not you do this? Or do you just play the Triumphal March from Aida again as at sign-on? 73, (Glenn to Alfredo, ibid.)

Glenn, No problem in publishing the last email (and excerpts of this), but I will not make or confirm names. There are a few suspects still around, and new ones that we uncovered. The subject will be dealt in a white paper soon meant to explain to the average (small) program producer what is the difference and implications on using a "serious" and "professional" station (there are many around), old and new

transmitters, fixed, rotating and slewable antennas and more. When it's the time, I will write down a few things on how we located those scamming providers, stations or agencies by checking their signal for several weeks on one or more frequencies that their client(s) were paying for, but had no signal at all on the target (but still produced a great deal of listeners' mail!).

BTW: if you do your own research on web sites of some US SW stations, (even without checking with monitoring stations) you can find out yourself that their claimed coverage of Africa, Asia or Europe is quite unrealistic at some times (in the middle of the night on the target!) and on certain frequencies. Even simple propagation analysis using free software or basic propagation knowledge can guide you (unfortunately many old preachers lack this basic knowledge, and can easily be scammed by unethical sales and marketing people)

As for the fact that we do not disclose our transmitting site: I think I had made it clear several times. Apologies if I did not do it with you personally. The issue has been discussed inside the HFCC, and approved as an accepted practice (also at the ITU, who does not even check, but act merely as a register for frequency requirements), and we are not alone in this practice.

IBB for example does not declare the real TX site for an undisclosed number of (mainly foreign) sites, because they want to defend themselves against diplomatic embarrassment and prevent jamming / interference. There are other HFCC members that do the same (i.e. Iran, China, Russia?) for similar and other reasons (i.e. Russia has an history of unstable electricity problems at their sites, and they used to switch to any other station without notice if one particular station has a problem).

There is an undisclosed number of other frequencies registered at different sites, according to what the HFCC board said in response to the objection by one HFCC member to our strict requirement of registering our site as Milano, when we re-joined the HFCC a few years ago. Our policy is to register Milano, even if the transmitter may change across many sites in order to provide the best possible service, even during the same season.

Milano is meant to be the location where our network control centre (NCC) is located, and coverage in the HFCC registrations has always been adjusted to approximate as much as possible the "real" coverage. Again, this procedure has been approved for all organizations, and is standard accepted practice at the HFCC. We strongly believe that listeners have no reason to know where the SW TX is located, providing that the target zone is clearly mentioned in our schedules (i.e. do you need to know where your cellular phone, FM or AM site is located?

There is no difference for SW).

The fact that we register Milano as the TX site is meant to defend ourselves from the growing competition from other resellers and agencies, present at and outside the HFCC. It takes usually a good deal of efforts and time to negotiate our presence in a particular country, in terms of licenses, obtaining government authorizations and contracts (that of course contain a non disclosure clause to the same effect). We wish and act in order to maintain any competitive advantage by not disclosing with whom we sign an agreement and whose station we are using at any particular moment to this extent.

Just to explain further our position: did you ever ask your local shop where did they buy apples or oranges that they sell you? Wonder why they would not answer? Just think for a moment that you run a shop and that you find any good that you also sell but at a cheaper price at another shop in your area. You wish you can beat your competitor by offering the same item at the same price or even lower, and ask your competitor what is their reseller name. Would your local shop disclose from which reseller they buy this particular item to you?

As for the Italian national anthem, we did not ever use it, mainly because it was used by RAI (and it still it is sometime after the demise of their SW service at sign on/off on Medium Wave/AM). We usually sign on with Giuseppe Verdi's AÔda "Marcia trionfale" (Grand March) and sign off with Verdi's Nabucco Act 3 "Va pensiero, sull'ali dorate" ("Fly, thought, on wings of gold", in English also known as Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves. Sometimes the sign off faded or cut off because of strict time requirements, but can be heard often at whole length on or Internet stream. Hope this helps. 73s, (Alfredo Cotroneo, ibid.)

** JAPAN [and non]. JSWC 60th anniversary QSL --- Dear Radio Friends, Toshi Ohtake of JSWC wrote:

Thank you very much for your great actions. Radio Japan has arranged my interview next Thursday, and will air on September 30th, Sunday in the English program called "Friends around the World", hosted by Ms. Kay Fujimoto and Mr. Mick Corlis. Duration: 20 min. You can hear by inernet at
http://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/english/radio/program/index.html

Or you can also listen by radio [10 minutes after news]:
at 0500 UT on 6110(Canada), 5975UK, 11970(France)
at 1000 UT on 9695 SNG, 9625 Yamata,
at 1200 UT on 9695 SNG, 6120 Canada,
at 1300 UT on 15735 UZB,
at 1400 UT on 15735 UZB

at 1800 UT on 15720 MDG

Please send your report to Radio Japan after you listen to the program. Listeners response is very important.

JSWC will issue a special 60th anniversary QSL. Please send your report to
jswcqsl @ live.jp
for eQSL.
For printed QSL please send your report to
JSWC, P. O. Box 44, Kamakura 248-8691. This may take some time.
Enclosure of 1 IRC or 2 US dollar is requested for return postage.

Thank you again for your actions. Toshi Ohtake, JSWC (de Takahito Akabayashi, Japan, Sept 22, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NHK features JSWC 60th --- Dear Radio Friends, The recording was finished today and will be broadcast on September 30th, Sunday. On October 6, Saturday, this will be on the air only by the Domestic Radio 2(AM) 0510-0520 UT (Toshi Ohtake, JSWC, Sept 26 via Alokesh Gupta, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KASHMIR. 4950, R Kashmir, INDIA, Srinagar, 1705 22 September, program local, Kashmiri ID, 32333 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

** KASHMIR. RADIO MUZAFFARABAD GOES OFF AIR
   Lastupdate:- Sat, 15 Sep 2012 18:30:

http://www.greaterkashmir.com/news/2012/Sep/15/radio-muzaffarabad-goes-off-air-72.asp

Muzaffarabad, Sep 14: Functioning in pitiable conditions after the October 2005 earthquake, Azad Kashmir Radio Muzaffarabad (AKRM) has gone off air for the past three days, but the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC) bosses in Islamabad seem to be least bothered about it.

The AKRM was inaugurated in PaK on October 15, 1960 by the then President K H Khurshid to stimulate the Kashmiris on both sides of Line of Control (LoC). Notwithstanding meager resources, the station however drew huge listenership on both sides, putting across programmes in KashmiriÇ Gojri, Pahari and Urdu languages during 18 hours transmissions, thanks to the highly committed professional broadcasters of yesteryears.

Initially, the transmissions were aired through a one-kilowatt

shortwave (SW) transmitter. Later, the then Prime Minister Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto upgraded it by sanctioning a 10-kilowatt medium wave (MW) transmitter.

In 1983, a 150-KW High Power Transmitter (HPT) replaced 10-KW MW transmitter to expand its reception in as far area as possible. However, the October 2005 earthquake played havoc with the buildings and equipment of AKRM in its broadcasting house in the main old city and the HPT Centre on the outskirts, brining its transmissions to halt.

The AKRM resumed its transmissions provisionally in the last week of October 2005 when an FM transmitter was installed. Over the past seven years, neither the building of AKRM nor of the HPT centre was rebuild and the skeleton staff at AKRM (35 against the sanctioned strength of 125) has been running transmissions from flimsy tents and shelters, braving scorching summer heat and biting winter cold, from 6 am to 11 p.m. with a 2 hour midday break.

Being an FM radio, the transmissions were heard in a very limited area. The HPT was made functional but it has been relaying ëNational Broadcasting Serviceí programmes and not the ones aired from AKRM through FM transmitter.

However, on Wednesday afternoon, the FM transmitter also went out of order, thus suspending even the FM transmissions of AKRM, which in PBC documents is referred to as Rawalpindi-II.

ìThree days on, the AKRM which was once enthusiastically heard across the state as well as in many areas of Pakistan has been silent but nobody at the PBC headquarters seems to be bothered although they have been informed about it in writing,î sources said.

ìEven the government functionaries in Muzaffarabad seem to have turned a blind eye towards this situation,î they regretted.

AKRM sources said after the earthquake, the PBC bosses had pledged, on a number of occasions, installation of 100-KW MW transmitter in Muzaffarabad, but that promise was not fulfilled till date.

ìIt`s ostensibly because the PBC people donít feel themselves under any compulsion to do it on urgent basis and also none in the ranks of (PaK) government has ever forcefully taken up this issue with them,î sources said.

When contacted, AKRMís station director Javed Iqbal confirmed that FM transmitter had gone out of order from 1 pm on Wednesday. ìWe have informed the (PBC) headquarters and they say that they will be doing

something,î he said. ìIndeed its very important station and if the headquarter pays attention, this problem can be resolved.î

Pertinently, Radio Kashmir Srinagar has a 300-kW MW and 100-kW SW transmitters, apart from four powerful relaying stations along the LoC (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

AKR Muzaffarabad already no longer on SW, anyway. It`s hard to tell exactly where it is on small-scale maps, right on the border with Pakistan proper, but apparently is on the AK side (gh, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. CHINA DONATES EQUIPMENT TO NORTH KOREAN BROADCASTING COMMITTEE | Text of report in English by state-run North Korean news agency KCNA website

Pyongyang, September 26: The Chinese Central TV donated equipment to the Central Broadcasting Committee of Korea. A donating ceremony took place here on Tuesday [25 September]. Present there were Ri Ch'o'l [Ri Chol], fire vice-chairman of the Central Broadcasting Committee of Korea, officials concerned, a delegation of the Chinese State Administration of Radio, Film and Television led by Vice-Minister Li Wei, Chinese Ambassador to the DPRK Liu Hongcai and embassy officials. Speeches were made at the ceremony. The participants looked round the donated equipment. Source: KCNA website, Pyongyang, in English 0754gmt 26 Sep 12 (via BBCM via DXLD)

How vague; like what equipment? There had been previous reports of SW transmitters, accounting for several frequencies becoming precise (gh)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. 6760, Sept 22 at 1228, Korean talk from MND Radio, with rapid-click jamming, not the usual wall of noise, as still heard on several other 6 MHz frequencies (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. 3480, Sept 23 at 1215 Korean singing, good signal with het, so it`s Voice of the People, from South to North, and/or jamming. Then I check:

2850, Sept 23 at 1216, Korean talk, good S9+18 signal, i.e. KCBS P`yongyang, 50 kW ND per Aoki. Then I check:

3250 very poor, maybe Korean talk, and 3320 JBA carrier, at 1217 Sept 23, presumably also from Korea North (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Open Radio North Korea, 11570 kHz --- Uno de los muchos sabores de la propaganda anticomunista occidental dirigida al norte del paralelo 38: Radio Abierta de Corea del Norte, que pude

captar con buena seÒal por 11570 kHz a las 1430 UT:
http://youtu. be/pKX_Ezwe17I
73 desde Montevideo (Rodolfo Tizzi, Sept 22, condiglista yg via DXLD)

This one is missing from HFCC, for some strange reason, instead an imaginary listing: ``11570 1330 1630 41 EKA 35 350 0 208 1234567 250312 281012 D HINDI CLN SLB SLB``

But ORNK is in Aoki: ``11570 Open Radio North Korea 1400-1600 1234567 Korean 100 65 Tashkent UZB 06909E 4113N _ORNK a12``
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 6135, Sept 26 at 1333, algo weak talk and maybe music, can`t make out the language, but presumably Shiokaze from Japan is beginning to make seasonal appearance vs noise level and in this case, local cable DTV converter bubble jamming, which I hope will vary somewhere else another day. This is still more than an hour after sunrise here. English should be on Fridays (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [and non]. 9650, Sept 20 at 1225, KBSWR via Sackville, interview in English about higher education in Korea --- and again with that recurring annoying clicking sound, which since I only hear it on Sackville`s KBS relays, I tend to blame on KBS` program feed, not RCI. See also CANADA

9650, Sept 21 at 1418, KBSWR Korean via CANADA, again suffering from that annoying clicking on the program feed.

9650, KBSWR via CANADA, Sat Sept 22 at 1248, Kevin O`Donovan in Farmington NM with his weekly listening tips, vs that annoying clicking on the program feed, devoted this time to other ways to hear KBS in NAm during the hiatus after Sackville closes and before they get their own new dentro-Korean SW transmitter going ``early next year``, i.e. via WRN on satellite or web, various apps, but he says nothing about SW broadcasts to elsewhere or non-direxional.

Presumably KBSWR will continue with English as in B-11 from Korea South itself: 02-03 9580, 08-09 9570, 13-14 9570, 16-17 9515, 9640; 18-19 7275. The 02 and 13 broadcasts are inconveniently blocked by CRI Habana, but the others might make it at least to W North America in winter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOSOVO. KOSOVO ---> On 17 September, shortly after 17 UT, international and local operators started activity as Z60K from near Pristina. Reports indicate that this callsign will be in use for the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHRAK). QSL via G3TXF and logsearch on Club Log. Reports also indicate that the first eleven

individual licenses have been issued (Z61AA, Z61AB, Z61AJ, Z61AS, Z61DD, Z61DX, Z61FF, Z61LA, Z61NS, Z61VB and Z61XO), and that individual visitor licensing is now in place, with the first visitor license issued to 9A6AA as Z6/9A6AA. The website for the local Telecommunications Regulatory Authority is at http://www.art-ks.org (425 Dx News 22 Sept via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Amateur radio in Kosova

Dear Drita: For your information here is news about the new radio amateur activity from Kosova. This is great and good publicity for the country. From Albania both native radio amateurs, the friends of mine, and expedition stations can be heard. I just got a QSL from a Bulgarian radio amateur visiting Vlora in April 2011, and of course I keep in touch with Sadik Agalliu, ZA1E, Fatos Demeti ZA1G and Lazer Pistulli, ZA1V in Tirana. Here now the good news.

LajmÎrimet kÎtu janÎ anglisht dhe u drejtohen radioamatorÎve tÎ botÎs. MirÎpo, nÎ kllapa kam dhÎnÎ disa spjegime pÎr ata qÎ nuk merren me kÎtÎ llojÎ aktiviteti... Une vetÎ kam dÎgjuar stacionin e klubit Z60K nÎ tri frekuenca (valÎ). GÎzim i madh se Kosova llogaritet tani nÎ mes tÎ shteteve tÎ botÎs ku vepron radioamatorizmin (pÎrjashtime janÎ vetÎm Korea e Veriut, Turkmenistan dhe ndonjÎ tjetÎr).

September 19, 2012

AMATEUR RADIO IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

As Amateur Radio Regulations are now finalized, Kosovo welcomes foreign operators to visit the country and enjoy being part of a new amateur radio setting. The first eleven operators were licensed on Monday and there are more to come soon. The Z60K callsign is issued to the new Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, SHRAK, and will be active from new premises as soon as these are fixed. SHRAK President, Sabit, Z61AA together with Ali, Z61DD are heading these efforts. Many individual new licensees are scheduled to have a go at the new radios at Z60K during this week.

Also, individual visitor licensing is now in place and the first visitor license was issued at a gathering hosted by the Administrators and attended by all new local hams as well as their instructors. You may hear Emir, 9A6AA (Croatia) as Z6/9A6AA starting today.

The IARU [International Amateur Radio Union] delegation of Hans, PB2T (Holland); Nikola, 9A5W and Emil, 9A9A (both Croatia) will be departing today and the folks in Kosovo are delighted with their help. All day yesterday was still spent streamlining the technicalities and the procedures for regulations and licensing as some bands are still

subject to certain limitations with other users of the spectrum. For example, 80M is not currently permitted.

We are delighted to be part of this historic week as a new European country is entering the scene. Be prepared as the contesting season is also just around the corner, and make sure to add Z6 to your master multiplier database and expect Z6 stations to appear on the air.

Heart-warming moments were experienced as local operators were given their licenses by a Kosovo Assembly representative and Ekrem Hoxha, Chairman of the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority, TRA.

HISTORIC DAY IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

It was 23 years ago that most radio amateurs went off the air in Kosovo. A long period of silence came to an end when eleven Amateur Radio licenses were issued today, valid for an immediate activation of this fledgling sovereign republic. When they suddenly come on the air, the first steps of the licensees are obviously difficult as world demand runs high. Great patience is required as you hear the following reborn hams entering the world of Amateur Radio starting today:

Sabit Zymberi, Z61AA; Durmishali Smani, Z61DD; Feti Fazli, Z61FF; Arif Derbati, Z61BA; Avni Jashari, Z61AJ; Vjollca Belegu, Z61VB; Mustafa Xhoni, Z61LA; Agim Sadiku, Z61AS; Agron Sadiku, Z61XO; Driton Sadiku, Z61DX; Naim Sadiku, Z61NS.

The official opening ceremony took place at 1900 hours local time, with all parties present. First QSOs (contacts) were with G3BJ, G3UML (Angli) and PA0LOU (HollandÎ) with Sabit, Z61DD and Driton, Z61DX at the controls.

Additionally, the newly born Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHRAK) was allocated the callsign Z60K today and that callsign will be used for training purposes as well as for celebrating this wonderful event.

Today, an all-day seminar was held with Government representatives, a majority of Kosovo's Amateur Radio population (with an estimated up to twenty to become active immediately) as well as with Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) officials and foreign delegation members present. Part of the event was televised on the Prishtina TV network. It was a memorable event for those coming back from a 23-year hiatus and for the hams present.

The foreign lecturers welcomed the new group and represented five (5) supporting countries; Hans, PB2T; Nikola, 9A5W; Nigel, G3TXF; Bob, N2BB and Martti, OH2BH.

The mission is to support these new hams and bring them on the air. Please kindly welcome them to the ranks of Amateur Radio.
QSL for Z60K via G3TXF

September 19, 2012

MISSION GOODWILL KOSOVO WILL INTRODUCE SOME RECENT LICENSEES FROM THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

As we go on helping these Kosovar hams to come onboard after a decades-long hiatus from amateur radio, we would like to introduce as many of them now that we have spent time with them together at our two stations.

Feti Fazli, Z61FF

Feti was at the station this morning and will come back later on today. He is another doer and ready to get on with his aging ICOM radio. He works on telecom issues in the capital Prishtina. Fati is one of the original Board members of SHRAK, the newly reactivated association, and is known for his organizational skills. Fati is 49 years of age with three children and was a student at the Technical High School of Prishtina. His first entry to amateur radio was at the YU8ALX club when he received his license in 1980.

He loves DX, contests and ARDF, having traveled in all parts of ex-Yugoslavia. He welcomes contacts with amateur radio operators throughout the world. [feti.fazli@gmail.com]

Arif Derbati, Z61BA

Arif is 54 years old, a manager with a telecoms firm in Prishtina and also an original Board member of SHARK. He is a father of three children and he expects his son Jetmir, 21, an IT expert, to become an amateur radio operator. Arif spent 26 years in Macedonia and got started at the Z32AKB club, called Ilinden Club, with his first license in 1982 and renewed in 1993.

Arif likes DX and contests - another CW expert - but with his past teletype experience he may go RTTY in six months. He needs to get some equipment lined up first. He loves mountain hiking and travels every year to the western Kosovo mountains - very soon hopefully with a 2M handheld with him (all via Ullmar Qvick, Sweden, via Drita «iÁo, Albania, DXLD)

Z6, KOSOVO (WFWL! [work first, worry later]). The big news this week has been the activity from the Republic of Kosovo. As this was being

written, NOTHING has been announced yet from the ARRL's DXCC Desk on the DXCC status for Kosovo.

The ARRL Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE, informed everyone on September 19th: "Of interest to DXers is the current operation from Kosovo -- Z60K. I want to ensure that everyone interested in QSOing this activity understands it does not qualify for DXCC credit. This is because Kosovo is neither a member of the United Nations nor does it have an ITU-issued callsign block. At this time, Kosovo does not meet the established requirements of the DXCC program. It is legal and fun to work the station, but as the situation currently exists, it will not count toward DXCC."

During the past week, the OPDX Desk has been sending out a few special bulletins via the mailing lists and the NODXA FaceBook page trying to keep everyone up-to-date. In short, activity by Z60K has been seen on 40/30/20/17/15 meters on the DXCluster network. Currently, on the Kosovo's Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) Web page, under regulations of the "Amateur Radio Services" (which is a draft and can be downloaded) it does not provide authorization of operations on 80, 12, 10 or 6 meters. This can be viewed at:
http://www.art-ks.org/?cid=2,13,419&sqr=amateur

Excerpts from press releases on the TRA Web page and QRZ.com, state that the Z60K callsign is issued to the new Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, SHRAK, and will be active from new premises as soon as these are fixed. SHRAK President, Sabit, Z61AA, together with Ali, Z61DD, are heading these efforts. Many individual new licensees are scheduled to be operating at the new Z60K station very soon. Also, individual visitor licensing is now in place, and the first visitor license was issued at a gathering hosted by the Administrators and attended by all new local hams as well as their instructors.

Emir, 9A6AA, part of the Kosovo IARU Project, was issued the callsign Z6/9A6AA and was active as this was being written. He informed OPDX that he made 300 QSOs as ZA/9A6AA. An application for a visitor license can be printed from the Administrators' (TRA) Web site but, in the short term, you can obtain an application form from any of the current Kosovo instructors; G3TXF, N2BB/MD0CCE, OH2TA or OH2BH. They also suggest, "Be prepared as the contesting season is also just around the corner, and make sure to add Z6 to your master multiplier database and expect Z6 stations to appear on the air."

ADDED NOTE: On Thursday, September 20th, a copy of the Z60K license appeared on QRZ.com, showing that the license was issued by the TRA to IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, good between September 17-24th.
<http://files.qrz.com/k/z60k/Z60Kauthorization.jpg>

However, reports indicate the operation went QRT on the 22nd. Currently, the Z60K operation has posted the log online at ClubLog at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=Z60K#r

As of 1658z, September 22nd, Z60K has made a total of 18545 QSOs with 8676 Unique callsigns (10167/CW and 8378/SSB). Breakdown by continent is: 203/AF, 0/AN, 2305/AS, 11283/EU, 4428/NA, 102/OC and 224/SA. QSL Z60K via G3TXF (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1080, September 24, 2012, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

[above briefly summarized in WORLD OF RADIO 1636 --- gh]

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11510, Sept 20 at 1352, presumed Kurdish music, very poor from Denge Kurdistan, ex-11530. Is the site still really Ukraine? My inquiries to Ludo Maes of broker TDP/Broadcast Belgium, and to Olex Yegorov, ex-RUI, about the status of Ukrainian SW have gone unanswered (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 15510, Sept 23 at 1400 as I was also checking for Bangladesh on 15505, I observe that the VOR IS plays right up to 1400 whence VOA Kurdish smoothly succeeds it, as introduced in English. I.e., Samara, RUSSIA site to Wertachtal, GERMANY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT. 17550, Sept 21 at 2024, R. Kuwait in Arabic, and 15540 equally good signal in English after very poor yesterday (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. R. Maranatha, 5130 kHz in Persian is not hard to hear with us in the evenings. Someone tell me what is this station and QSL policy of this station (Shukhrat Rakhmatullaev, Uzbekistan, deneb-radio-dx via RusDX 23 Sept via DXLD)

I know that it works from Kyrgyzstan. She wrote on guvas @ ngu.ru (in 2009 or 2010.) the return was not, but the answer is the same. Never tried it. Yesterday hear failed. Today, if we can take to try to send to this address. If it still works (Alexander Golovikhin, Togliatti, Russia, deneb-radio-dx, ibid.)

Radio "Maranatha" is broadcast for a long time. But TWR (in any case, the service broadcasting in the former USSR) denies its connection with the station. We Mauno Ritola a couple of years ago trying to find out where and how is it organized, but alas... it is Possible that he- or add to the information (Vasily Gulyaev, Astrakhan, open_dx via RusDX Sept 23 via DXLD)

I recall 5130 reported years ago, but is it active now? Not in WRTH 2012 under Kyrgyzstan or in the SW frequency list. Aoki thinks so:
5130 Radio Maranatha 1457-1757 1234567 Persian/Tajik/ 100 ND Bishkek KGZ 07459E4252N TWR a12
And so does EiBi:
5130 1350-1700 KGZ Radio Maranatha FS ME
Not in A-12 HFCC.

DBS 14 released in April 2012 has 5130 as a deleted station, with the date it was last reported:
5130 KGZ SW Relay Sce, Krasnaya Rechka DEC10

Searching back thru my mailbox and DXLD, the last log of it was a bit later than that, but not by much:

KYRGYZSTAN Radio Maranatha/Hit Shortwave, Bishkek heard on 5130 at 1448 January 13 [2011], carrier came on, too weak to take down any specific programme details. Noted during random checks to 1801 carrier off again (Martien Groot, Netherlands, DXLD via WDXC Contact)

and before that, oops, wrong `stan:

TAJIKISTAN. 5130, R Hit Shortwave, Bishkek (p), 1742-1900*, Dec 15, [2010] songs, very weak, 15331 (Bernard Mille, Bailleul, France, DSWCI DX Window Dec 31 via DXLD)

And before that:

KYRGYZSTAN 5130.00 R Hit Shortwave, Bishkek (ex 6030 kHz), 1720-1757* UT on Fri Dec 03, Vernacular conversation, religious hymns, 25322 (Anker Petersen-DEN, dswci DXW Dec 16 via BC-DX 18 December 2010)

Note: the 5.1 MHz area is a prime spot for 2 x IF receiver images which one must beware of if the rig is subject to those: 5130 could originate on 6030 or 6040 --- hmmm, look at that, it was reported to have moved from 6030 to 5130, coincidence?

All this could be pointless, if the original item from Shukhrat above was axually saying it is *NOT* heard now! transformed into the opposite by stupid machine translation (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Probably Persian station on 5130 kHz seems to be Radio Sedaye Zindagi in Dari (Afgan-Persian) for Afghanistan. I copied ID of "Radio Sedaye Zindagi" in Feb. 2012. The condition was bad under the influence of OTH from China in Japan.
http://www.sadayezindagi.com/
(S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Which says, ``the home of Afghan Christian Radio``, and not 5130, but is this outdated:? ``Afghan Radio Broadcast Times: You can listen to Radio Sadaye Zindagi every morning at 7:00 am on the 31 meter band (9790 kHz). And every evening at 7:30 pm on the 25 meter band (11755 kHz).`` (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** LIBYA. 11600, Radio Libya's ON AIR TODAY. Conservative Qur`an program noted around 1530 UT today Sept 20 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Monitoreo de Radio Libia --- siempre en 11600 kHz de 1800 UT en adelante; hoy intentarÈ verificar la hora de cierre. Creo que est· entre las 1945 y las 2000. Si alguien llega a averiguar cÛmo contactar con esta emisora, por favor avise, chistosos abtenerse je je. CerrÛ emision a las 2005 UT (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, Sept 20, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Consulta por R. Libia --- Hoy a eso de las 1800 UT habÌa una emisora en ·rabe en 11600 kHz, seÒal m·s bien baja pero sin QRM. A eso de las 1825 habÌa una portadora m·s fuerte pero sin modulaciÛn. DespuÈs de las 1830 modulaciÛn en ·rabe. Lamentablemente me dispersÈ y no estuve atento a las 1830 para escuchar la identificaciÛn.

Ahora, en todas las listas que consultÈ R. Libye sÛlo transmite en francÈs de 1600 a 1800 y no figura otra transmisiÛn. Lo que yo escuchÈ para mÌ era ·rabe.

He leÌdo los mensajes de Ernesto Paulero, creo que es coincidente, pero øhay alguna confirmaciÛn de que esta transmisiÛn en ·rabe sea de la R. Libia? øalguien pudo escuchar la identificaciÛn? 73 (MoisÈs Knochen, Montevideo, Uruguay, Sep 23, condiglista via DXLD)

The French info is out of date. We have been discussing the revived service only in Arabic for some time now (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SÌ, MoisÈs, yo la he monitoreado toda una semana; hoy no, es en ·rabe y mencionan a cada rato Libia y Radio Libia. Es a partir de que cierra Radio Internacional de China en swahili en 11600 kHz, se escucha mejor, casi siempre es a las 1803 UT hasta las 1945, algunos dÌas y otros hasta las 20, siempre UT.

Yo ·rabe no entiendo pero creo que serÌa mucha coincidencia una emisora que a cada rato menciona Libia y por lo menos cada 10 minutos Radio Libia que es lo ˙nico que entiendo; antes emitÌa en francÈs y cerraba a las 1805 a m·s tardar, ahora para mÌ han reactivado. SerÌa bueno alguien que entendiera el idioma para ver si dan alguna direcciÛn en internet (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, 2336 UT Sept 23,

ibid.)

AsÌ parece, no ha de ser casualidad y justo en esa frecuencia que muy pocos usan. Tal vez a las listas les llevar· un tiempo actualizarse. Supongo que antes esperar·n a que se estabilice la emisora, entiendo que ha tenido algunas interrupciones. Yo la escuchÈ hoy por primera vez porque salÌ de Montevideo, y a˙n asi la seÒal era dÈbil. No he probado de buscarla en el receptor remoto holandÈs donde supongo debe recibirse mucho mejor por cercanÌa. 73 (MoisÈs, ibid.)

Hola muchachos! Yo tambiÈn escuchÈ a la radio libia despues de la info proporcionada por Ernesto. Ninguna lista dice nada al respecto pero es evidente que se trata de esa emisora ya que efectivamente da el nombre del paÌs decenas de veces (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, Sept 24 condiglista yg via DXLD)

Amigos DX: El tema a nivel fonÈtico con relaciÛn al ·rabe comparto algunos puntos:

- El idioma ·rabe usa el sufijo IYA cuando usa los nominativos. Ejemplos:
Arabia SaudÌ = Al ArabIYA
Jordania = Al UrdinIYA
Libia = Al LibIYA

- Aumentar la atenciÛn cuando el locutor pronuncie el vocablo Hun·, pronunciaciÛn: Jun· [sic] ... Que sumada al nombre del paÌs nos mostrar· el paÌs de origen con exactitud. [o ciudad = this is ñ gh]

Espero estos "tips" puedan ayudar en la identificaciÛn de las emisoras ·rabes. Buenas captaciones! Alf (Alfredo Canhote [sic], Per˙, ibid.)

** LIBYA [and non]. SILENT KEY (Ham Killed In Attack). The ARRL Web page reports: "Sean P. Smith, KG4WSS, of Falls Church, Virginia, was killed when the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on September 11th. He was 34. Smith was one of four Americans, including Chris Stevens -- the U.S. Ambassador to Libya -- who was killed in the attack. Read the complete story at:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/sean-smith-kg4wss-killed-in-consulate-attack

OPDX and its readers send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of KG4WSS (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1080, September 24, 2012, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** LIBYA [and non]. As I recall Libya used to use the jammers against Sout Alamal (Voice of Hope), a Libyan clandestine that used to be on the air a few years back; also during the turmoil in Libya I noticed a

jamming like on some of the Free Libya Radio frequencies mainly from Benghazi. Once again many thanks. Best regards (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, Sent from my iPad, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LITHUANIA. 9635, Sept 23 at 0539, wild ME? music and Arabish? conversation, strangely stronger than adjacent 9630 REE/Costa Rica, which is much weaker than normal for its 100 kW aimed 340 degrees right at us.

I have lucked into one of those odd relays keeping Sitkunai on SW, IBB`s RFE/RL in Tatar-Bashkir, 100 kW, 79 degrees at 0500-0600 per HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 5964.72, Klasik Nasional, 1326-1343, Sept 23. Live coverage of the Klasik Star Competition (Pertandingan Bintang Klasik 2012) with DJs and musical performances (Mohd Shazia, et al.) direct from the Perdana Auditorium, Angkasapuri.

https://www.box.com/s/dddqug8mkbvxpt23mlt7
contains my MP3 audio recording.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XnjFSJssNsU
has promo.

Per ìRadio Klasik Eyes Top Five Radio Stations Next Yearî:
http://celebrities.bernama.com/index.php?ct=newsdetail&lg=en&id=695767
:

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 19, 2012 (Bernama) -- Radio Klasik, in its effort to attract more young listeners, will record classic songs by young artistes so that the songs would continue to be enjoyed by the younger generation.

RTM's radio programme director, Mohamad Mat Husin said the radio station would also organise several programmes involving young people in a classic song singing competition.

He said these were among the measures taken by Radio Klasik which was known as Klasik Nasional [? Thought I just recently heard their usual singing "Klasik Nasional" jingle. Will have to check on a possible name change. Ron] to achieve the top five best radios in the country next year.

This was also in line with the rebranding [and re-naming? Ron] of the radio station on Aug 31, he told reporters after announcing the 12 finalists of Bintang Klasik 2012, here Wednesday.

Mohamad said at the moment, Radio Klasik was in the eighth spot among commercial radio stations nationwide with a daily listenership of 1.5

million [Wonder if they counted me and all the other SW listeners? Probably not! Ron].

On Bintang Klasik 2012 final which would be held at Auditorium Perdana, Angkasapuri here at 9 pm [1300 UT] on Sunday with 'live' coverage on TV1, he said the winner would take home a cash prize of RM10,000, a trophy as well as a tour package worth RM7,500.

The competition winner will also represent Malaysia at the Asian Radio Stars contest organised by Radio Republik Indonesia in Medan on Oct 9.î (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5964.72, Radio Klasik (formerly Klasik Nasional), 1245-1300, Sept 25. In vernacular playing pop songs; 1259 heard their new ID and new singing jingle for ìRadio Klasikî. Short audio attachment with ID and jingle. Thanks to Timm Breyel (Malaysia) for his informative email:

ìI found it interesting that Radio Klasik ranked 8th in Malaysia. That stat doesn't tell the whole story. There are so many FM stations in the KL area (which are relayed to major towns across the nation), and they play mostly contemporary Rock for a very young population. Radio Klasik is a unique genre for a small aging population. Other than this, we have a couple of Cantonese/ Hokkien stations, a station for the indigenous ethnicities, a Tamil language station and a station that spins hits from the 80s. One station occasionally will play some blues music.

I suspect their Marketing/Advertising want to rebrand the station. To make appeal to this large youth market, Radio Klasik sounds more "youthful", rather than the government-run (which it is) name, Klasik Nasional. Well, those are my thoughts on the name change. Regards, Timmî (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Alinco DX-R8T and Par Electronics EF-SWL antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 6050, Asyik FM/Salam FM, 1440 Sept 25, Bahasa Malay, popular Malaysian music, woman host with several mentions of Asyik and Asyik FM, she took several calls from listeners calling in with greetings (possibly to friends and families and perhaps music requests?). 1500 time pips, ìSalam FMî ID upon switch to this Islamic programming, choir (national anthem?), another ìSalam FMî ID followed by Islamic devotional. Good (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 9835, Sarawak FM, 1503 Sept 25, Bahasa Malay, news by woman, music and announcement mid-news and at end before headlines repeated at 1509, 1510 into music. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon,

British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MAURITANIA. 7245, R. Mauritanie. On all night from when I started recording at 0022. Long long program of Koran recitations from 0327-0616. R. Mauritanie IDs at 0702:00 and 0702:25, 0703:10. Fading after 0800 but still a little bit of audio at 0854 when I stopped the recording. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7245, Sept 20 at 0517, it`s an off-night for IGIM. As Theo Donnelly points out, the domestic service runs 24 hours, so it may just be a matter of who remembers or forgets to turn the SW transmitter on and off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7245, R. Mauritania, Unlike yesterday, was not on all night. Suddenly on at 0621:48 in mid-Koran. (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7245, Fribbath Sept 21 at 0511, IGIM is on and chanting, S9+18 but quite undermodulated; is this necessary to prolong what`s left of the tube, or just slipshod operation like the scheduling?

7245, Sept 24 at 0515, IGIM rates S9+20 but undermodulated with soporific wake-up chanting.

7245, Sept 25 at 0553, IGIM at S9+20 with chanting, but quite undermodulated.

7245, Wed Sept 26 at 0503, no signal from IGIM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 540, Sept 23 at 1210 UT, federal PSAs for Derechos Humanos and vacunas (vaccinations), mentions ranchera and 90.5 FM, YL DJ with cabina phone numbers; loops WSW/ENE, i.e. per Cant˙:
540 XETX La Ranchera de PaquimÈ + FM 90.5 Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih. 1,000 250
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 560, Sept 20 at 1135 UT, long singing jingle I wish I could have copied, then says ``Lupe 93-3``, salud PSA. So it`s per Cant˙:
560 XEXZ Lupe + FM 93.3 Zacatecas, Zacatecas 5,000 1,000
Lupe is short for Guadalupe, patron saint, allegedly a virgin, a bit more formal than ``Guada``. Countless Mexican women are named Lupe, most no doubt post-virginal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 570, Sept 21 at 1153 UT, modern brass band music seems unusual; loops SSW mostly over KLIF, 1154 cut to announcer talking about ``dÌa mundial de la paz`` (which is indeed today), and sports, game times for various Mexican teams including Monterrey, also about European f˙tbol, and ``f˙tbol americano en nuestro paÌs`` i.e. as played in Mexico (by college teams?). Probably per Cant˙: 570 XEBJB Radio 570 Monterrey, N.L. 5,000 500 --- as the second possibility in TorreÛn is top-40 musical (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 590, XEPH Sabrosita 590, MÈxico DF. 1104 September 17, 2012. Male DJ singing along with the vocals, canned station URL, slogan, also ìla m·s caliente 5-90î alternate slogan often. Excellent with Cuban Musical Nacional nulled. Long ad string, including something political, into ìla Vida es un Carnavalî by Celia Cruz. Music format is salsa/tropical, refreshing for a Mexican. Also, several ì5-90 Sabrositaî mentions (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 610, Sept 26 at 1202 UT, PSA, ID as Radio [lightning crash] de Coahuila, ad mentioning Sabinas and Nueva Rosita, 7:02 TC. So it`s:
610 XEBX La Primera Sabinas, Coah. 5,000 500
per Cant˙, not the other Coahuilan:
610 XESAC Milenio Radio + FM 99.3 Saltillo, Coah. 1,000 900
Altho link to XEBX website http://www.grdradio.com.mx/laprimera.html now goes to a squatting site, so maybe there has been a change (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 620, Sept 24 at 0525 UT, rhyming slogan ``ahorita la NorteÒita, B-U, 91.7 FM y 620 AM``.

620, Sept 26 at 1203 UT, NA and then Chihuahua anthem, 1204 full ID as La NorteÒita, XHBU 91.7 25 kW, y XEBU 620 10 kW. Cant˙:
620 XEBU La NorteÒita + FM 91.7 Chihuahua, Chih. 5,000 1,000
and onward with Noticias Mega-Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 640, Sept 20 at 1132 UT, ID mentions 99.3 FM y 640 AM, on to music in English. With the proliferation of FMs duplicating AMs, there could be more than one matchup, but so far in Cant˙, only:
640 XEHHI Los 40 Principales + FM 99.3 Hidalgo del Parral, Chihuahua 10,000 1,000.

640, Sept 26 at 1203 UT, partial ID mentioning Principales and FM

99.something, which fits only for this in Cant˙ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 660, Sept 20 at 1128 UT, a guy speaking slowly and deliberately unlike most SS, apparently a local political commentator, mentions that ex-president ``Gustavo DÌaz Ordaz vino a Nuevo LeÛn``, i.e. came to NL, implying that he is located there. Still going past 1131, 1138 as QRM is growing. On that flimsy evidence I make it tentatively per Cant˙:
660 XEFZ ABC Radio Monterrey, N.L. 10,000 1,000
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Suggest their live audio stream (of course, not in perfect sync with terrestrial radio) as it comes in well as in not hiccups. Slogan is ìABC Radio, 6-60 AM, las noticias como sonî as per my logs. Format is Smooth Jazz (US and Spanish/Portuguese) when not airing ads or some political talk. XEEY, XEYG, and XEDTL and maybe others have been heard here recently on local sunrise, so who knows. TLK

Unfortunately, most of the time I am DXing, especially MW, the noisy computer is off (gh, DXLD)

New one: 9:40 pm [CDT] Thur. Sept 20, XEFZ 660, 10/1 kW Monterrey N.L. with nice music including some salsa stuff and redone pop tunes, 1164 miles. Thanks to Glenn for listing them in his last post, finding the name there, that led to a link for a live feed, and a positive ID (Dean_0 Wayman, NE? Grundig Satellit 600 pro, Pixel Pro 1 A loop MFJ active vertical, Quantum Phaser, ABDX via DXLD)

This is getting out well lately. I have a nice recording from them a couple days ago, "A-B-C Radio; Seis Sesenta AM" 73 KAZ Barrington IL (Neil Kazaross, ibid.)

NOW this is what I call DX! 10 k at most and 1 k at night!!! (Ernie Rice, ibid.)

I'd bet against 1 kW at night for this guy now noting that many Mexicans run day power at night or at least well past their sunset times. I spent a night in Nogales AZ about 20 years ago and with a loop and good receiver with S-meter, and no station in Nogales, MÈxico reduced power at night, for example. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, ibid.)

660, Sept 23 at 1208 UT, ``Radio 660 AM, gruporadioalegria.com``, i.e. XEFZ Monterrey NL again, despite Radio 6-60 also being slogan of a Oaxacan; then a familiar Brazilian song (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 690, XEN La 690, MÈxico DF. 1056 September 24, 2012. Anthem

at tune-in, male canned, ìXENÖ 6-90 AMÖ 50 mil vatios de potenciaÖ Desde Ciudad de MÈxicoÖ coloniaÖ de Grupo Radio CentroÖî, rooster crows 1101 (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 720, Sept 26 at 1209 UT, mention Radio Centro 10-30, but then ``7-20 Extremo``, and song, i.e. per Cant˙:
720 XEJCC Extremo 7-20 Cd. Ju·rez, Chih. 1,000 1,0000 [sic]
Also CCI from another SS further east, probably XEDE if not KSAH. All these logs [this date and hour] marred by lightning crashes from storms further east in OK (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 730, Sept 21 at 1147 UT, automated TC for 5:47, full ID/promo for La Ke Buena, 107.1 FM y 730 AM, Radiorama Parral, with street address, another TC for 5:48, more K.B. promotion by a child`s voice. The former Radio Viva Villa, as now updated in Cant˙:
730 XEHB Ke buena + FM 107.1 Hidalgo del Parral, Chih. 50,000 1,000
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 730, Sept 23 at 0508 UT, sports talk in Spanish looping SSW, mentioning el torneo, f˙tbol mexicano. Instead of usual XEHB heard on this frequency, it`s XEX MÈxico DF in its latest format, deportes, as TDW, standing for Televisa Deportes W --- why not TDX? Evidently the prime XEW brand overrides it. Despite all the other Mexicans and Americans allowed on 730 now at night, this one is still allegedly 100 kW non-direxional day and night {but it really doesn`t dominate} (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 750, Sept 25 at 0559 UT, Mexican NA, 0601 on to a state anthem, 0603 no ID but a patriotic Mexican PSA, then 0604 ID as …xtasis Digital, 89.5 FM y 750 AM; loops NE/SW. So of two E.D.`s on 750, it`s not XEKOK in Acapulco whose FM is on 107.5, but per Cant˙:
750 XECSI …xtasis Digital + FM 89.5 Culiac·n, Sin. 5,000 250
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 760, Sept 20 at 1205 UT, choral NA loops E/W, no full ID follows but ``continuamos con m·s m˙sica en Radio Geny``, i.e.:
760 XENY Radio Geny Nogales, Sonora 5,000 100
per Cant˙. I bet it is on day power at 5 am. Another SS to the N/S nulled (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 760, Sept 21 at 0558 UT, choral NA loops NE/SW and cannot null out KCCV ID from Kansas City. Based on direxion and likelihood that this would be played at local midnight = UT -6 zone, can only be:
760 XEES Antena + FM 102.5 Chihuahua, Chih. 10,000 1,000

Per Cant˙. FYI, I also consult the IRCA Mexican Log and the WRTH 2012 but only Cant˙ is online, easy to copy and presumably or at least possibly updatable (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 780, Sept 25 at 0504 UT a state anthem is playing, SAH with WBBM mostly nulled; seems to be N-S but too much QRM; 0505 timecheck as 12:05 and full ID, but all I could copy for sure was power of 10,000 vatios. In Cant˙ that fits for:
780 XEWGR Exa FM + FM 101.1 Monclova, Coah. 10,000 250
As who wants to admit their puny night power even at midnight? And the only other 10 kW on his list is a daytimer in Oaxaca, much further and less likely (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 830, Sept 21 at 1202, mentioning several AM and FM frequencies, including Piedras Negras, 92.9, Monclova, and a call-letter website which I won`t quote as copied since it doesn`t work. It`s the Coahuila cluster as discussed in a previous log, this one:
830 XEIK La NorteÒita Piedras Negras, Coah. 5,000 D
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

See also UNIDENTIFIEDs 800, 830

** MEXICO. 860, Sept 25 at 0600, NA is playing. Based solely on the likely presumption that it`s local midnight, i.e. UT-6 zone, of the 14 or 15 stations on 860 in Cant˙ it`s one or the other of these two:
860 XEZOL 860 Noticias Cd. Ju·rez, Chih. 1,000 500
860 XENW M·xima + FM 103.3 Culiac·n, Sin. 1,000 250
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 920, XEHQ, Los N˙mero 1, Hermosillo, Sonora. 1105 September 25, 2012. In the jumble of Mexicans and domestics, a clear ìXEHQî by male announcer bubbled up. Listed as 5000/1000 watts. Slogan is listed on Cant˙ís site as well as 97.1 FM affiliate. WRTVH-2012 lists slogan as Radio Capital (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 920, XELE La Preferida, Tampico, Tamaulipas. 1107 September 25, 2012. Mostly the dominant one today with male and female news readers, rooster and sirens 1111, ìla Prefereida, la PreferidaÖ , ___ punto 9î at 1119, into Mexi-tune. Cant˙ lists simulcast with 105.9 FM (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 980, Sept 26 at 1228 UT, IMER promo mentioning FM y AM, which is all we need to easily ID once again XEFQ, La Voz de la Ciudad del Cobre, Cananea, Sonora, 2500/500 watts on sunrise skip (LSR Enid = 1223 today) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1100, Sept 20 at 1155 UT, YL DJ in Spanish, NE/SW; 1157 fades down just in time for SHVA full ID at 1200 with phone numbers; 1210 I catch YL DJ with a 5:10 timecheck, so it`s in the UT -7 zone. Since the Arizonan is not Spanish, that leaves only this in Cant˙:
1100 XENAS Unica + FM 95.5 Navojoa, Sonora 1,000 500
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1410, Sept 24 at 1211 UT, news about Mexico, TC for 6:11, promo, mentions Angostura in news; loops WSW. Per Cant˙ the only possibility in UT-6 zone is:
1410 XECF La Mexicana + 93.3 FM Los Mochis, Sin. 10,000 500
Overcoming the CCI and the 2ACI from local KCRC 1390 is an achievement, with only 500 watts? Maybe it`s officially daytime there, tho not really. And there is a city called Angostura in Sinaloa, tho I am sure there are others. Maybe means ``narrow place`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1650, XEARZ MÈxico DF with light music format, promo for ìsu radio, 16-50 AMî at 0609 23/8, full ident in Spanish at 0658, fair with little QRM this day (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

But still no reports of it known from north of the border (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD) But see UNIDENTIFIED 1650

** MEXICO. 6010.1, Sept 20 at 0449 UT. Pop song, followed by OM announcing: "Son las once de la noche con Radio Mil", then into a music instrumental track. Aside the fact I had never received a Mexican station before, I was wondering if this is a recent re-activation. I wasn't seeing reports for Mil since a while. Recording: http://bit.ly/RRS9NT (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) and as on his blog:

I came across a signal on 6010.1. On the air was a non stop music program. Between two songs, at 4.49 UTC, a male ìlocutorî: ìSon las once de la nocheÖ Radio Milî. There, I really couldnít believe my ears. First time for Mexico here in seven years, and not that I see too many reports around. A grateful thanking goes to everyone who

helped with the identification process (Christian Diemoz, Italy, Sept 22 or earlier,
http://www.dxcoffee.com/ix1ckn/2012/09/my-first-five-k9ay-days/
via DXLD)

Christian, Radio Mil has been silent for several months. It would be great to have it back, but I have my doubts about this log. I listened to the clip and they say (as you would expect at that exact time) ``once de la noche con cuarenta y nueve minutos``. Nothing about ``Radio Mil``. Since Colombia is in the same time zone as Mexico, I am afraid that you really had La Voz de tu Conciencia. I wonder who helped ID it as Radio Mil?

I am sure that if you could listen a bit more or again, you might get a more definite ID. (After 0500 until 0700 Cuba normally blocks, but sometimes comes on late.) We`ll be checking it out shortly.

The non-updated LA-SW Logs as of last February when it was active lists exact frequencies for the two, indicating XEOY was on the low side and HJDH on the hi side (where you heard this):
http://www.mcdxt.it/LASWLOGS.html

6009.96v MEX WS XEOI N˙cleo R MÌl, MÈxico City [0032-1405](9.9-0.2) Feb12 W SS (r)AM1000 (a)"Radio MÌl, siempre un paso adelante" / "En Radio MÌl vive la m˙sica de MÈxico"

6010.08v CLM LV de Tu Conciencia, Puerto Lleras [2210-1120](09.10-11.06) Feb12 Q e SS (r)MarfÌl Estereo FM88.3 AM1530 (a)"LV de Tu Conciencia" 73, (Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn: definitely is not XEOI Radio Mil onda corta; it is still silent (Juli·n Santiago DÌez de Bonilla, DF, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I'm really sorry to have misled the list on this. Before submitting this entry, I had three friends listen to the file. We all agreed the part that you positively heard as "cuarenta y nueve minutos" was "[pause after "once de la noche"] con Radio Mil". The error has been, probably, that no one who listened was a Spanish native speaker. I can only ask for forgiveness (and, obviously, please suspend that log from me).

This morning, nothing was heard on that frequency. I guess propagation was more towards northern America, as I had reception of St. John on 6160.9. I will definitely try again, and will let you know about the result. Thanks for your understanding, (Chris Diemoz, ibid.)

Chris, All is well. We all make some mistakes. Some others will not admit it or discuss anything contradictory. 73, (Glenn, ibid.)

** MEXICO. This explains the ``9 digital signals`` IMER has inaugurated in the DF, as I heard referenced on XERF 1570 --- that`s by adding up the two ``HD`` extras on the three FM transmitters, nothing to do with IBOCing the AM stations (yet?). Of course adding HD to AM signals gains no extra programming channels: o rather it could, but not as employed in the US, always duplicating the main channel. It would be even more distracting as receivers autoswitch in and out of ``HD`` if they were not even identical, let alone unsynchronized (gh)

MEXICO: INAUGURA EL IMER 9 SE—ALES DIGITALES EN EL DISTRITO FEDERAL
by gruporadioescuchaargentino

Con este lanzamiento el Instituto Mexicano de la Radio se coloca a la vanguardia tecnolÛgica

Este 17 de septiembre, el Presidente Felipe CalderÛn inaugurÛ formalmente 9 seÒales digitales del Instituto Mexicano de la Radio en el Distrito Federal, lo que coloca a este medio p˙blico de comunicaciÛn a la vanguardia tecnolÛgica de la radiodifusiÛn nacional con el mayor n˙mero de seÒales digitales multicanal en la capital del paÌs.

AcompaÒado por el Secretario de EducaciÛn P˙blica, JosÈ ¡ngel CÛrdova Villalobos, el Presidente CalderÛn asegurÛ que ìes un dÌa histÛrico para la radiodifusiÛn nacional. Hoy el IMER se pone a la vanguardia de los adelantos tecnolÛgicos que est·n revolucionando a las telecomunicaciones en todo el mundo y en MÈxico. Con ello tambiÈn consolidamos a esta gran instituciÛn, una de las mayores radiodifusoras del estado mexicano y abrimos una nueva era en el desarrollo de la radio p˙blica nacionalî.

Por su parte, el Secretario CÛrdova, titular de la cabeza de sector a la que pertenece el IMER, dijo que con este importante paso tecnolÛgico el IMER fortalece y potencia sus seÒales y se potencia la radio p˙blica:

ìHemos recuperado, fortalecido y potenciado el sistema y el sentido educativo, cultural, recreativo de la radio p˙blica a travÈs del IMER; hace menos de 20 dÌas pusimos en marcha la nueva televisiÛn educativa digital terrestre y hoy tambiÈn con tecnologÌa de punta el Instituto Mexicano de la Radio se moderniza y se digitaliza; hoy se potencia la radio p˙blica de nuestro paÌs, se fortalece la educaciÛn y crece nuestra democracia, hoy gana los radioescuchas hoy gana MÈxicoî.

Para la directora general del Instituto Mexicano de la Radio, Ana Cecilia Terrazas, esta inauguraciÛn significÛ ìel corolario de un esfuerzo que demuestra el claro interÈs del Gobierno Federal por los

medios p˙blicos de comunicaciÛn que son el mejor termÛmetro para medir la calidad democr·tica de un paÌsî.

Las emisoras del IMER en el Distrito Federal que transmitir·n de manera digital en High Definition (HD) son: Opus 94.5 FM, Reactor 105.7 FM y Horizonte 107.9 FM.

A travÈs de las seÒales digitales HD2, del 94.5, 105.7 y 107.9 FM respectivamente, se transmitir· programaciÛn de la emisora XEB, La B Grande de MÈxico, una de las primeras estaciones de radio del paÌs; programaciÛn de la emisora virtual dedicada a posicionar la imagen de MÈxico, Radio MÈxico internacional; y de la Radio Ciudadana, primera emisora en el paÌs abierta a producir, programar y transmitir proyectos propuestos por la ciudadanÌa.

La seÒal HD3, de las emisoras Opus, Reactor y Horizonte, estar·n dedicadas a cursos radiofÛnicos, audiolibros, c·psulas did·cticas y todo tipo de programaciÛn hablada de car·cter educativo; a informaciÛn minuto a minuto con la hora exacta y telÈfonos de emergencia o servicios; asÌ como a la transmisiÛn diferida de los cursos y diplomados por radio.

La tecnologÌa de radiodifusiÛn digital supera a la analÛgica, sobre todo, por la calidad del sonido, porque se presta para la transmisiÛn multicanal, porque puede haber transmisiÛn simult·nea de datos y porque permite la interacciÛn con los receptores.

Al comenzar la transmisiÛn multicanal o multicast el Instituto Mexicano de la Radio se sit˙a a la vanguardia tecnolÛgica a nivel nacional.

En el mundo, la radio digital se prevÈ que comience a sustituir a la analÛgica dentro del prÛximo lustro.

Para este diciembre de 2012, gracias a la convergencia digital iniciada por el Gobierno Federal en 2008 y en apego al decreto presidencial de junio de 2011 para la radio digital terrestre y la polÌtica de transiciÛn voluntaria, el IMER contar· con 24 emisoras en 23 frecuencias AM y FM, 1 emisora virtual y 18 canales digitales (via GRA blog via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

Source not given but probably copied from IMER website; including illustrations on the blog, http://wp.me/p13MWc-wB (gh, DXLD)

** MICRONESIA. (POHNPEI), 4755.5, The Cross, 0948 rock and pop music. Tuned away at 0955. Was already in English religious program at 1000 when I returned. Went into pop music at 1023, and then off the air at 1024. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus

SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

I was inspired by Dave Valko's loggings of PNG stations to put up a pennant antenna facing toward the northwest. Lots of stations that have been inaudible here are now jumping out of the mud. Now, we just need to clear the lightning storms off the map.

MICRONESIA, The Cross Radio, 4755.507, 1054-1114 on 9/25, believed to be the one here. OK signal level, but lots of lightning crashes. Music at tune-in; at 1058, female with "You are listening to ... [crash] ... Radio, 4-7-5-5 and 88.5 ..." followed by male with a sermon in English. The mention of 88.5 as a parallel frequency strongly suggests The Cross, although their website says they're off the air waiting for parts and technician. On 9/26, no signal present. (Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD, WinRadio Excalibur Pro, Pennant antenna with DX Engineering Pre-amp, HCDX via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA. 12085, 1034, 22-09-2012, news bulletin by female mentioning Ulambatar. Voice of Mongolia with news. Today it was not interfered by Radio Australia 12080. So, it is a good time to enjoy the programming from this rare station. There were some beautiful Mongolian songs alternating with comments. SINPO 55445 (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, Pueblo Llano, MÈrida, Venezuela, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO [and non]. 9575, Nador R Medi Int, + ute 17 tone peak signal 9573.86 - 9574.15 kHz --- MAROKKO R Medi Internat Nador auf 9575 kHz ist seit einigen Tagen nur ein Schatten seiner selbst. Ob da eine Reserve TX im Einsatz ist? Ausserdem sollte die LW Anlage, neue TX und Masten-Inspektion Malerarbeiten auf 171 kHz vom Thomson general¸berholt werden. Vielleicht wird auch die Kurzwellenantenne ¸berholt? Dies gilt nicht f¸r das 19 mb Signal Richtung Saudi Arabien.

Wer kann das Multitone Signal einem Mode zuordnen? - 17 peaks z‰hle ich - 9573.86 - 9574.15 kHz um 1120 UT Sept 22. 73 wb

15349.139, SNRT RTV Marocaine in Maghreb-Arabic from Nador site, 1042 UT Sept 21. S=9+5dB sidelobe signal into southern Germany. Two Arabic ladies talked by phone interview program (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Wolfgang, this is probably a (military) teletype system. A CIS system from Russia? If traffic is sent, then you can measure a shift 200 Hertz between the two sampled carriers. In IDLE state then see these "17x peaks". 73, Peter, DL1YAK (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 22 Sept via DXLD))

Thank you Peter, from other mails ref watched meterbands I know that immensely much contact traffic of the Russian Armed Forces on all bands running since 2-3 days. Did the Russians forces and some of fleet exercise maneuver at large set, before winter? (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 22 via DXLD)

15349.1, Sept 22 at 1950-1952+, IMM transmits dead air like more and more SW stations; what a waste. Wolfgang B¸schel notes that another station at the same Nador site, MÈdi-1 on 9575 has a much weaker signal and transmission problems, plus LW 171 is disrupted as well. There may be maintenance work going on there (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Medi Internat Nador on 9575 kHz is on very weak signal level for some days now. If that is a reserve unit in use? or signal power of 250 kW declined on service now?

The LW 171 kHz installation should be overhauled by Thomson at present, new TX and mast inspection service, painting masts. Maybe also the original shortwave antenna is to be overhauled at present? VERY POOR this Sept 23 morning again at 0358 UT, only S=3-4 tiny level (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

later: 9575.0 Changed the unit now, usual strength from Nador, BUT VERY ANNOYING BUZZ AUDIO SIGNAL (Wolfgang B¸schel, 0530 UT Sept 23, ibid.)

15349.1, Sept 24 at 2025, no signal from IMM, leaving JBA fluttery carrier from Argentina 15345v in the clear. The Nador, Morocco site has been having problems. Not heard either on 9575 in the 05-06 period Sept 25, tho Gabon was good on 9580. Once again at 1300 Sept 25, no signal on 15349.1, allowing usual hetter Gospel For Asia 15350 to be unimpeded, due east from Wertachtal: daily at 1300-1315 it`s in Nepali, while all other quarter-hour blocks at 1230-1500 are only certain days of week in an extremely complex schedule; see Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9579.17 - (tentative), R. Medi 1, Nador, tune in at 2140 to Arabic music and apparent announcements in Arabic. Checked 9580 and got positive ID from Africa #1 playing French pop tunes, to drums and French ID. Definitely two different signals. Tune back to 9579.17 hearing US 1970's soul music at 2155 to past top of hour than OM in French with tentative ID and into news with clips of Pres. Obama speech at UN today. Signal was generally weak with distorted audio caused by local pulse type QRM and Africa #1 signal being so close. Not positive of ID and have not heard this off frequency before. Perseus` ability to separate signals on extremely close frequencies is

quite impressive. Something that I had only dreamed of as a young DX-er back in the 70's (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., Perseus SDR with 25 x 50 Superloop antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9579.140, This morning 0550 UT Sept 26 again noted irregular Radio Medi 1 at Nador, wandered 4 kHz higher frequency. Usual Moroccoan Arabic program mentioned often Maghreb. Interference whistle tone of 860 Hertz, R Africa No. 1 hit on even 9580.0 kHz.

And another strange 17 tone ute peak signal observed again on 9574 kHz, as used like on military maneuver communication (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 26 via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

9579.12, Sept 26 at 0521, big het produced by MÈdi Un jumping off-frequency from 9575, vs Africa NumÈro Un, GABON on 9580. My keyboard gets a close beat at A5 = 880 Hz. Both are in French, tho Morocco is often in Arabic too.

It was never a good idea to position these two independent African services only 5 kHz apart, and intolerable now, as the Nador site in Morocco is having all kinds of problems. The het is slightly wavering, and so is one of the frequencies. Gabon is stronger. At 2140 Sept 25, Stephen Wood in Massachusetts with a Perseus had measured R. MÈdi Un on 9579.17. At 0550 Sept 26, Wolfgang B¸schel put it on 9579.140. The slight discrepancy could be due to variation over time, and/or to Gabon being slightly on the hi side, as my measurement is only by comparison (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15349.1, Sept 26 at 1957 check, IMM is still missing (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. Note: many of the following reports mixed in observations of Kachin/Thazin Radio on 7110, with Myanmar Radio on 5985v/7185v. I have tried to unmix them, altho there will be some duplications. And as always within a given subject we try to organize everything in chronological order, even if dates are buried at end of items (gh)

7185.74, R. Myanmar, W talk at 1105. Wasn't there just before ToH. Definitely not // to 5985.82 at 1203 (7185.74 had music while 5985.82 end music and then W announcer). (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

Noted Rangoon 5985.821 kHz around 1515 UT Sept 20 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7185.77v, Myanmar Radio, 1219 to past 1256, Sept 20. Running well past their normal 1220*; in vernacular with EZL songs; 1220 sounded like loud conch shell horns or some similar type indigenous instruments; fair with QRN.

MP3 audio at
https://www.box.com/s/u8w6nqjlryzkegjzsi7r
Nothing heard on ex-7200.11 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Myanmar noted on 7185.5 now (1145 UT 21 Sept 12). They were noted yesterday also. 7110 also heard but with different programs. -- Thanking you, Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dxld yg via DXLD)

Re 7185 Myanmar Radio. Thanks Jose. Maybe my tune-in was too late again, nothing heard on 7185 around 1255 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Sept 21, ibid.)

On Sept 20, Sei-ichi Hasegawa (Japan) measured on 7185.75 kHz "c/on at 1048 UT and it started by the announcement of female in Burmese at 1055."

On Sept 21, I measured on 7185.77 with fair reception at 1220*, their normal sign off time. Yesterday extended broadcast past 1256 was unique (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Log of peaks only, Sept 22 at 1140-1210 UT. Only program fragments noted above threshold signal level on 7110 and 7185 kHz. Stronger peak on 7185.747 kHz (B¸schel, ibid.)

7185.73, R. Myanmar, came on at 1026:15. No chance for audio as it was much too weak. (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

5985.85, Myanma Radio, Yangon, 1454 Sept 24, Burmese, several back to back traditional songs until 1510 announcement by woman, then more modern, pop or easy listening style of music. At 1530 there was talking but couldnít determine if they went into English as they had in the past. Good signal initially but faded quickly (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening at local dawn from my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Harold, heard Myanmar 5985v at same time here in Europe (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, ibid.) 5985.828, Ein schˆnes Signal um 1545 UT aus Rangoon. S¸ssliche Musik und junge weibliche S%nger. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, 1550 UT Sept 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5985.808, Very weak S=4 signal, endless female voice talk, probably from Myanmar R Rangoon, 1335-1342 UT tune-in. Sept 25 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 25, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. 7110, Kachin R., Played the same peppy pop song again at 1125. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

Thanks to Ron's e-mail address tip
7109.992, Thazin Radio <thazinradio @ yahoo.com> Nothing heard here today after 1500 UT, but noted Rangoon 5985.821 kHz around 1515 UT Sept 20 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks Ron' tip: Thazin Radio <thazinradio @ yahoo.com>

Re Thazin Radio. Footprint was exact 7109.992 kHz on Sept 19/20, but today Sept 21 at 1258 UT on even 7110 kHz. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Hi Wolfy, Am sorry I did not explain fully about the situation on 7110. Believe many people are confused about the names of the stations there. Please note the timing for the two stations on 7110 during their evening transmission. This per Aoki:

7110 Myanmar Kachin Radio 1030-1430 1234567 Burmese/dialect
7110 Thazin Radio Pyin Oo Lwin 1430-1500 1234567 English

Usually I just report the English from Thazin Radio. Have confirmed that ID by what I have heard on air, but have not confirmed the Kachin Radio ID, but believe it is probably correct (Ron Howard, California dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Log of peaks only, Sept 22 at 1140-1210 UT. Only program fragments noted above threshold signal level on 7110 and 7185 kHz.

and Kachin Radio Naypyidaw 8-9 Hertz below, - on odd 7109.991 kHz again like Sept 19/20/22, but even 7110 kHz frequency on Sept 21.

So, since two different transmitters are in use at Naypyidaw on 7110 kHz channel? Or the MAIN POWER voltage varies heavily from day to day? (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7110, 1132, 22-09-2012, kind of news bulletin by female in a very strange language, but mentioning Myanmar. At 1138 they started to broadcast some traditional music (it sounded very local, but I canít say what country it belongs to) as well as comments by male. Initially

the SINPO was 34333, but it deteriorated to 23222, and then it was not audible anymore. Thazin Radio, Myanmar (presumed).

So, if it was Thazin Radio it is possible to listen them from time to time, but I find it impossible to listen to their English service, at least not here, when it is around 1430 (10.00am local) and reception in this band turns full of noise and ham QRM. Itís the same problem we have to try Radio Hargeisa on 7120 as it is scheduled for their evening broadcasts (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, Pueblo Llano, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

With each passing day of autumn is improved on the low bands. In my area this is especially evident at the stations in the south-east. In the evening, when I have time, check hearing stations from Myanmar, also hope QSLing them. Today, a little better than in the old days, you can hear a Thazin Radio transmitter Nya Pyi Daw, 50 kW, frequency 7110 kHz. Hours: 1431-1501 UT, songs in English, some messages in English around 1445 UT, again music.

At 1459 UT - the announcement of events, is mentioned and the morning program of the English, but that's what frequency - not to hear.

SINPO was 34333, interference from radio in SSB mode.

Furthermore, in 1501 UT tuned to the frequency of 5985 kHz, twisted pop masterpieces myanmarskoy non-stop. At the end of the program (1528 UT) in the local language was made an advt, and at 1530 UT is in English "This is Myanma Radio ...". This was followed by the news program with a terrible accent and songs in English. At 1558 UT there was the carrier, and from 1600 UT CRI drowned Myanmar.

According to the program schedule is at 1630 UT, then the transmitter is switched off (Yangon, 25 or 50 kW).

While listening to this broadcast, comparing an antenna - Degen DE31MS and newly created on the balcony box. Here SINPO early listening: Frame - 35433, DE31 - 34333. But in the end: Frame - 44433, DE31 - 33443 (Dmitry Puzanov, Kazakhstan, open_dx via midxb Sept 18 via BCDX 22 Sept via DXLD)

7110, Kachin R., came on the air at 1026:33. (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

MYANMAR - HELPFUL CORRESPONDENCE FROM THAZIN RADIO

Hi Glenn, Now that communications has opened up with Thazin Radio, we are learning more about this station and the fact they relay Kachin

Radio programming (native/minority Myanmar programming, so not really a station as such, just a programming name). The three segments in English are Thazin Radio's own programming. Thazin Radio is the actual station!

Thanks to Dave Valko for his interest in corresponding with Thazin Radio and following up with questions as to what the true situation is on 7110 kHz. His original response from Thazin Radio:

ìOur Thazin Radio station originates from Pyin Oo Lwin. Kachin Radio is relaying with our Myanmar program. Our station broadcast Myanmar program and English program daily. Also broadcast the native program (Mon, Kachin, Wa, Pao, Kokant, Chin, Larhu, Kayar, Poekayin, Sacawkayin and Shan) a total of eleven. [programs].

Myanmar time:
06:00 to 08:00 am - mw 639 KHz and sw 6.03 MHz - Myanmar program [2330-0130 UT]

08:00 to 08:30 am - mw 639 KHz and sw 6.03 MHz - English program [0130-0200 UT ñ At the conclusion of the 1430 to 1500 UT English segment they mention this morning broadcast ìradiating on 639 kilohertz and 6 point 03 megahertzî ñ Ron]

11:00 to 01:00 pm - mw 639 KHz and sw 9.46 MHz - Myanmar program [0430-0630 UT]

01:00 to 01:30 pm - mw 639 KHz and sw 9.46 MHz - English program [0630-0700 UT]

17:00 to 21:00 pm - mw 639 KHz and sw 7.11 MHz - Myanmar program [1030-1430 UT ñ see below ñ 1430 is the correct time ñ Ron]

21:00 to 21:30 pm - mw 639 KHz and sw 7.11 MHz - English program [1430-1500 UT]

The above schedule is regular time and radio frequency that you can listen. Thanks very much for your listening.î

Dave received the following equally excellent info after sending off some additional questions:

ìI appreciate it, you can ask me questions what you don't know. Sure that you have heard was the Kachin program from our station at 7.11 MHz. Because our station also broadcast the native programs daily. We have other eleven native programs. The native program's schedule are following.

Myanmar time:
06:00 to 08:00 am [2330-0130 UT] - Chinand Kchin program - sw 7.11MHz
08:00 to 10:00 am [0130-0330 UT] ñ Wa and Po program - sw 9.59 MHz
11:00 to 03:00 pm [0430-0830 UT] - Laru, Kokant, Kyar, Shan - sw 9.59
05:00 to 08:00 pm [This is a typo. Should be 09:00 pm, see above first response ñ Ron] [1030-1330 UT, but should really be 1430 UT, as has regularly been observed - Ron] - Poe Kayan, Scaw Kayin, Mon ñ sw 7.345

thazinradio @ yahoo.com and thazinradio @ hotmail.com are our e-mail addresses. You are right, our transmitter is 100 kW. All our radio facilities are located in Pyin Oo Lwin, Mandalay Division.î

Thanks very much to Dave for providing this most helpful information. Well done, Dave!! Ron Howard, Sept 23, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FYI - Updated Aoki, ALL shown as: 50 kW, 356 degrees from Naypyidaw:
7110 Thazin Radio Pyin Oo Lwin 2330-0130 1234567 Burmese/dialect
7110 Thazin Radio Pyin Oo Lwin 1030-1430 1234567 Burmese/dialect
7110 Thazin Radio Pyin Oo Lwin 1430-1500 1234567 English
(Ron Howard, Sept 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR?? 7345, Rakhine BS?? (very tentative), 1056 finally getting a little music at this time but audio extremely weak. Was getting a carrier for about the previous 10 minutes. CNR blasted it out at 1100. Don't see anything else listed here prior to CNR s/on. (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. QSLs: received Sept 24 for belated E-mail report I sent in August, for RNW`s final English SW broadcasts June 29. I heard three transmissions, Bonaire 6165, Vatican 15495 and 17605, so got three identical cards with full details on back, all signed by Jaime B·guena of the Spanish department since there was no one left in the English department to process the QSL requests. It`s the ``Goodbye . . .and thanks!`` card in black & white showing rings around raindrops, as the much larger rings around SW sites were about to be silenced. Jaime also included a non-QSL postcard showing the gate and towers at Bonaire on its tenth anniversary 1969-1979. The priority envelope had no postmark date, just imprint from TNT Post in the Pays-Bas. Displaying my scan of the obverse via gallery:
http://www.worldofradio.com/QSL.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [and non]. Andy Sennitt to join Radio Seagull

I'm pleased to report that I am about to start a new chapter in my broadcasting career. I have been invited to join the team of volunteer

presenters on Radio Seagull, which broadcasts entirely in English from Harlingen in Friesland. All the presenters are, like me, experienced volunteers who do it for the love of radio and music, not because they have big egos. I'll be doing a two hour show every Tuesday at 1100-1300 CET, which is 1000-1200 UK time. My first show is pencilled in for 2 October. My presenter's page on the website will go online next Wednesday. I am currently awaiting delivery of a new microphone and desk mount. Everything else will happen inside the computer - I hope :-)

For me, the icing on the cake is that Radio Seagull has its own offshore radio ship, which is sometimes used for broadcasting, so I have finally been offered the chance to work for a real offshore radio station :-) (Andy Sennitt on Facebook, via Mike Terry, Sept 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

WTFK? I don`t see it around page 287 of the WRTH on FM or AM (gh) Viz:

Hi Everyone, What is on 1395 with continuous music; is there a pirate on there, WNKR? I`m trying to get a null on my flag and just found it. It`s s9 on the omni and more or less inaudible on the flag (Mark Davies, Ynys Mon, UK, 1512 UT Sept 23, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

Radio Seagull is on 1395, I believe (Merv, ibid.)

Probably Energy from Dublin. Normally Energy from Dublin, though Seagull have been on 1395 early mornings this week (Satnipper, ibid.)

Thanks, guys; I would not [have] thought I could null Dublin so dramatically, though. I will keep listening to see (Mark Davies, ibid.)

Yes, it`s Energy; when I switch to the flag from the omni I get Seagull then! Thanks (Mark Davies, 1654 UT Sept 23, ibid.)

** NEW ZEALAND [non]. I have been combing through the Media Network archive at Radio Netherlands, trying to rescue as much as possible before a lot of the station history is thrown out. Youíll be pleased to know that I found the studio copy of our tribute programme to Arthur Cushen broadcast on Sept 25 1997, 15 years ago. Iíve put it back on the web for others to listen to. http://jonathanmarks.libsyn.com/webpage/tribute-to-arthur-cushen-september-1997 Access to the archives is free. I believe that the stories that we shared in the 80ís and 90ís are definitely relevant in broadcasting circles today, even though the distribution channels have changed. May be others in the League would like to know that these shows are available, and the Arthur Cushen tribute in particular? (Jonathan Marks, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. e-QSL ZLM TAUPO RADIO --- Utilitaria NUEVA ZELANDA: 6224 kHz ZLM TAUPO MARITIME RADIO
v/s Peter Baird - Radio Operator
Informe enviado a: maritime @ kordia.co.nz
Adjunto: Folleto de la estaciÛn que incluye horarios y frecuencias de transmisiÛn. DemorÛ: 85 dÌas Imagen:
http://dxdesdecolombia.blogspot.com/
Buenos DX (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Bogot· D.C. - COLOMBIA, Sept 24, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND [and non]. 9655, 1100, 22-09-2012, interval signal and then news from Radio New Zealand International. At 1105 started a program about New Zealand classical (??) music. SINPO 44444. At the beginning it was easy to listen to KNLS with its interval signal, but New Zealand was the strongest, so no way to understand anything from Alaska (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, Pueblo Llano, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KNLS is supposed to end at 1100, RNZI to start at 1059, HFCC (gh)

** NEW ZEALAND. New Zealand winter time endet; DST downunder Sat 15 UT 73 (wolfy, Sept 27, ADX via DXLD) F¸r die Gross-Empfangsstation Giessen und andere NZL Freunde: kam soeben von Downunder herein.

By the way, daylight saving (summer) time starts in N.Z. this weekend at 1500 UT on Saturday. Clocks advance one hour. 0200 hrs Sonntags Ortszeit http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/city.html?n=22
vy73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER (presumed). Heard at 2101 UT on the off-frequency of 9705.6 kHz, after ETHIOPIA signed off 9705 with its National Anthem. Best in either LSB or USB, but a very weak mostly unreadable signal here at an indoor setting with a Active Loop Antenna. Can make out what sounded like local African music at 2114 (Bruce Fisher (New York, USA PALSTAR RC30CC, AOR LA390 Loop Antenna), dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks Bruce. NIGER, 9705.575, Broad mucho fluttery S=5 to 8 signal of Voix du Sahel from Niamey, like a speech to the crowd in Hausa. At 2140 UT Sept 22. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9705.6, Voix du Sahel, Niamey, 2215 22 September, px mx pop + ID in French, 44444 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

9705.54, La Voix du Sahel, 2247 M in French between Afro songs. Pretty

good signal and found off frequency today. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) But back almost to 9705, too late to mention on WOR 1636 (gh) Viz.:

9704.99, LV du Sahel, 2230-2300*, Sept 26, Euro-pop music. Lite instrumental music. French/vernacular announcements. Local chants at 2255. Short flute IS at 2258 and sign off with National Anthem. Weak, but readable (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** NIGERIA [and non]. 15121, V. Nigeria with "Celebrations" with a YL talking in English about local festivals in Nigeria. Note odd frequency. Was this a punch up error or are they drifting badly? ID at :58 and into French at :59. Great reception but for a strong hum and distortion and almost a 'rattle' in the modulation: 4554+3+ 0655-0700 15/Sep. Brian Alexander in PA reported this off channel on the 14th as well, but as of the 15th they are back on channel according to Brian (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet Sept 21 via DXLD)

15120, Sept 20 at 0525, VON fair signal with hum, report on racism in UK football; this was an `African night` on 19m, with 15400 Dabanga/Madagascar fair, and 15580 VOA Botswana good, while R. Australia was very poor on 15515 and inaudible on 15240; yet good on 13630 below the MUF.

15120, Sept 21 at 0501, VON is JBA if at all, in another non-African night on 19m; they seem to alternate with Australian nights, which is VG this time on 15515, 15240 and always weaker 15415 toward Asia.

15120, Sept 22 at 0438, open carrier at steady S9+15 from VON. Tonight R. Australia is almost as strong on best 15160, then 15240 then 15515.

15120, Sept 23 at 0519, no signal, and in fact no signals from anywhere on 19 mb. Usually during this hour there are several from Africa and/or Australia. WWV e-mail at 0300 and 0600 reported K was 0 and flux was 125, no storms past or future, so above-average conditions would be expected. What happened? Seasonal MUF decline, I suppose.

15120, Sept 25 at 0502, VON with news, hum. Fair signal but faded way down by 0530 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, *0446-0456, Sept 26, sign on with IS of local African instruments, drums and occasional English IDs. National Anthem at 0455. Opening English ID announcements at 0456. Either off the air at 0456 or I just lost them in the noise. Weak. Poor. Weaker signal than usual (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

Nothing heard of the Nigerians Abuja or Ikorodu this morning on 15120 kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, 0610 UT Sept 26, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6924 AM, PIRATE, Big Boobs Radio, 0310-0343*, Sep 19, various pop tunes and rock music selections with a male host providing IDs and woman giggling while giving e-mail address bigboobsradio @ gmail.com Closed at 0343 with ìBig Boobs Radio Ö thanks for listening Ö incredibly cool!î Good signal (Rich D'Angelo, Wyomissing PA 19610, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet Sept 23 via DXLD) ? what kind of boobs (gh, DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6940-AM, Sept 22 at 0450, pirate with Latin American music, 0455 unreadable English announcement; 0456 multiple synthetic voices and IDs for ``Radio True North, free music radio on shortwave``, gmail address. 0512 outro Irish song, and Asturian (?) music. 0514 outro something from Ivory Coast, and listing a bunch of SW frequencies for Africans, including 7125 Guinea, new 7195 Uganda, Sonder Grense 3320. Guinea and Uganda have been off for ages; is this an old program, or a new one with out-of-date info?? Still going at 0532 when I quit.

6945-AM, Sept 24 at 0516 open carrier, 0518 make out ID as ``Radio True North, free music radio on shortwave``. Very poor signal tonight. They are on a lot, and on a variety of frequencies around here in 5 kHz steps.

6945-AM, Sept 25 at 0557 music at S9+12; 0603 YL ID as Radio True North (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. Second thoughts about "Brother Stair" pirate log: In my original post I said that it was funny at first but overdid it. Now that I think about the tone of voice with which "Brother Stair" said those words I realize that it wasn't the least bit funny. It was vicious, mean spirited and sexist. This is the type of thing that will bring down the wrath of Uncle Sam on the free radio community.

(the original post):
Brother Stair numbers station, 6925usb, 9-23-12 0255-0307 UT, fair QRM de far away data xmsn, s-on with usual brother stair song, then b.s. reading same 3 digits over & over, then b.s. saying "attention, sixty nine" several times, then groups of 5 digits, then groups of 5 very bad words including the c-word, was funny at first but overdid it, Kenwood R2000 7 MHz dipole (William T Hassig, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 960, Sept 23 at 0501 UT, local KGWA is in dead air again, as usual for the midnight news hole, and I do mean hole. So

I null it as best as possible, turn up the volume and try to make out what`s under it. ABC News from something, but KGWA blasts back on with a local commercial at 0505 before the understation can ID. NRC AM Log shows KMA Shenandoah IA fits with ABC, but NRC Pattern Book shows only a minor lobe SSW, mostly NNE at night. Also WERC Birmingham AL is ABC, but most of its signal goes SSW with a null toward us (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1020, Sept 25 at 1246 UT, semi-local KOKP Perry is off. Too bad I wasn`t up earlier for some real DX on this frequency. Back on at 1730 check (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1150, Sept 25 at 1253 with KSAL Salina KS nulled, temps around Oklahoma and then forecast for McAlester. It`s KNED, 1 kW nondirexional daytime, but never heard here with KSAL owning frequency. A bit of skywave left is bringing it in (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, Sept 24 at 1231 UT ``Mid-America Network News`` with report on dangerous zebra mussels found in a Kansas lake; something about Stillwater and other OK items, then weather on ``US Country 1210 KGYN`` Guymon. Seems this is really Mid America Ag Network, which has unnamed stations all over Kansas, some in Nebraska and one in the OK Panhandle, per coverage map:
http://www.midamericaagnetwork.com/index.php?
option=com_content&view=article&id=74&Itemid=78
(Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. Around 1335 UT Sept 21 I found KWOU Woodward in well on 88.1 FM, so know tropo is up around here. Hepburn map shows only marginal improvement in deep purple, but after breakfast I switch to DTV and aim toward the west.

34, KOMI ``24`` Woodward is decoding at 1423 UT with old B&W sitcom including Ozzie Nelson with a gang of guys but no Harriet, David or Ricky, presumably from America 1 network as viewed August 30 in last opening, tho still mislisted as `Pursuit` network at W9WI.com. Strangely, on the DTV video there is herringbone all over the picture, which one would think vanished along with the analog era. It was thus in my previous log too tho I didn`t mention it, so always on this signal? Of course, I am running it thru a converter. Could I have some local QRM causing that only on this channel? Nothing else output on analog 3 or 4 into the VCRs and sets has it.

Opening is strong enough for weaker RF 35, KUOK also to decode from Woodward, tho not as reliably, with UnivisiÛn.

Then I search for other signals, hoping for some strong enough to

decode. Weak `bad` ones on 42 and 47 with antenna also westward. 42 bears three translators in W Oklahoma from OKC stations, in Sayre, Strong City, Weatherford, but could also be spoiler KMYT full power Tulsa off the back.

Also intriguing is a bad signal on RF 9 at 1431 UT; W9WI.com shows there is not a single ch 9 in Oklahoma of any power since KWTV opted for 39. Turned toward Kansas in case it was KOOD, but nothing enhanced from the north. So it was probably KACV Amarillo, peaking only from WSW or so. AMA also has DTV full powers on 7, 10, 15, 19, 36 and 41. Of these, 7 and 15 are blocked by OKC, but I did find some bad signals on 41, and at 1446 on 10. I also tuned thru all the UHF analog channels in case there are still some non-DTV translators out there, but no rasters visible (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140, R. Sultanate of Oman, 1450 end of dance song, then studio M announcer host with greetings, ID, and UK listener acknowledgment, then some sports news. Back to music at 1455. Weak and fady. (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. Radio Pakistan scheduled Chinese service via their 2 x 250 kW units from Islamabad, at 12-13 UT Sept 21, noted only with strong carriers, but failed on their Chinese audio transmission feed.

15700 about S=9+5 dBm signal, and 17725 kHz little stronger as S=9+15dBm. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

{comment: only heard on odd frequency 2 days in row around Aug 24/25, close to 7510 API-4. Logged here 100% 7512.312 kHz Persian 17-18 UT Aug 24. Also logged 100%: 7512.323 kHz weak signal, and stronger on 9370.0 kHz Persian service, on Aug 25. BUT NOT HEARD properly of Gujarati 1145-1215, Hindi 1045-1145 though. wb. Sept 22} 73 wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not 100% yet. Radio Pakistan on 15290 at 1525, very good signal with local songs and YL announcer, many mentions of Pakistan, then at 1530 AWR with full ID in English. Same transmitter? (Steve Calver, 1532 UT Sept 26, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

HFCC shows:
15290 1330 1530 37,38 ISL 250 282 30 226 1234567 250312 281012 D
15600 URDU,ENG PAK PBC PBC 3924   15325 15455 15465 [alternates?]
15290 1530 1600 41N   TRM 250 345 0 206 1234567 020712 271012 D
14800 Hin   CLN AWR AWR 21331 x217
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3235, R. West New Britain, 1009 M announcer in muffled audio. Mention of PNG, possible phone numbers, corporation. Soft music bridge at 1017, then M again with mention of Friday night, and continued music. 1019 W announcer with PSAs. Island music at 1022. 1029:20 full ID by M over native wind instrumental straight tone, canned M, W announcer with FM frequency, then live W with ID 1030:30. 1114:40 canned W jingle. 1119:30 studio W with what sounded like ID. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

3235, NBC West New Britain, 1226-1304, Sept 21. Long segment in vernacular with repetitive indigenous drums and chanting/singing, rather reminiscent of the American Indians; 1243 stationís theme song ìNight Movesî, usually played when they ID; Pacific island pop and American hit songs (Billy Ocean ìWhen the Going Gets Toughî, etc.); poor.

This is unique among all the NBC stations, in that they provide considerable time for indigenous programming. They continue not to broadcast the NBC National News at the ToH (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3260, NBC Madang. Sept 20 again with 1212* (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3260, R. Madang, 1031 Reggae song. 1033 studio M announcer with song announcement. Requests. Mention Friday night. 1108:20 W with vernacular news starting out with item about NBC. Studio M announcer at 1113 with ID "...NBC station Madang...". (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3315, R Manus, 1104:35 nice bird call and drums, then into news by W. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD) 3325: see UNIDENTIFIED

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3365, R. Milne Bay, 1035 "We Are the World". "Take It Easy" by The Eagles at 1053. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 90m carrier search found 3325 strongest with some undermodulation, Sept 23 at 1219, but could be Indonesia; #2 was 3205, also 3235 and 3315 which all fit for PNG (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 7324.97, Wantok R. Light, 0906 NBC English news by M. 0908 "This is the NBC National news". 0915 nice Wantok NBC news/promo/ID, then PSA, and live studio M announcer with upcoming sked. Voice audio was a little distorted. Another mention of Wantok R. Light at 0917. 0918 canned program promo, then messages, then into C&W style song. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PERU. 1130a, Radio Bac·n, Lima on 1129.93 measured at 0435 3/9, lively Latin rhythms, regular idents past 0506 including ìCadena Internacional de Ö Bac·nî. Low het rumble against 1130 which increased as US stations faded in (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** PERU. CHASQUI DX PFA ñ SETIEMBRE 2012 --- CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano, todas las horas son UTC, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

3329.54, R. Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco, 27/08 1012-1030, 44444, m˙sica folklÛrica huayno por Abencia Morales, ID ìOndas del Huallagaî m˙sica folklÛrica y ads.

4789.87, R. VisiÛn, Chiclayo, 21/09 1155-1235, 33333, programa La voz de la SalvaciÛn, ads Iglesia Pentecostal La Cosecha, ID ì7 de la maÒana y cero minutos en Radio VisiÛnî, m˙sica pasillos, ID îRadio VisiÛn, una radio para todosî m˙sica

4810.00, R. Logos, Tarapoto, 31/08 1112-1215, 44444, tocan en forma continua m˙sica religiosa, a pesar del tiempo escuchado, no dan ID

4985.56, R. Voz Cristiana, Huancayo, 18/09 1145-1230, 44444, m˙sica folklÛrica en quechua, ID ìRadio Voz Cristiana, una voz para el Per˙ y el Mundoî ads Comercial Espinoza, encontrar· todo lo que es de pl·sticoî, ID ìCuando te pregunten, responde, yo escucho Radio Voz Cristianaî NOTA: antes reportado en 4985.56

5024.90, R. Quillabamba, Cusco, 27/08 1110-1145, 44444, ID ì6 de la maÒana con 12 en el informativo de Radio Quillabambaî; hablan sobre las reliquias de San MartÌn de Porres que pasar· por Quillabamba, programa El informativo (noticiero), ID ìAmigos de Radio Quillabambaî

5039.19, R. Libertad, JunÌn, 3/09 1140-1205, 44444, m˙sica programa El Club de los Inolvidables, ID ìPor su Radio Libertadî, m˙sica rom·ntica LA, ads, compre Sanito al 25% para la cura de los par·sitos en sus animales. M˙sica, ID ìRadio Libertad, m˙sica y nada masÖî

5921.28, R. Bethel, Arequipa, 19/09 2345-0020, 44444, programa religioso, ID ìPor Bethel Radioî, programa Noticiero, news, ads varios de car·cter religioso.

6173.90, R. Tawuantisuyo [sic], Cusco, 5/09 2115-2145, 44444, m˙sica folklÛrica huayno en quechua, ID ìRadio Tawuantisuyo, la voz de la expresiÛn andina, trasmite desde Cusco, Per˙î, ads, m˙sica folklÛrica

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 27/08 al 21/09 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una grabadora Alesis Palm Track, una antena de hilo largo de 15 metros y una antena loop. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per˙, Sept 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR

** PERU. 4789.9, R. VisiÛn, Simple "Transmite, R. VisiÛn" ID at 0855:35 tune/in. Great OA campo music, then canned ad by M with address in Chiclayo, then usual canned ID over "William Tell Overture", back to campo music. 0901:00 ID by M during song "Desde la ciudad Chiclayo, transmite R. VisiÛn", then again at 0904:55. 0916 canned announcement mentioning "...radio Per˙ ?? para el Per˙ y el mundo". Really nice quick ID at 0919:00. Beautiful signal with nice and clear campo song at 0920. (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

4789.9, R VisiÛn, Lambayeque, 0450 22 September, local program, weak modulation, 22333 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

4790, Radio VisiÛn, Chiclayo (presumed), 0055-0623, 23-09, male, comments. Very weak, best on LSB. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4810.105, Radio Logos, 1024-1035 Sept 20, With the usual format of steady music, noted a fair signal this morning? No comments or ID on the half hour, just continuous music. Signal was fair (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, 26N 081W, Excalibur, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES [and non]. 9520, Sept 24 at 1328, R. Veritas Asia ID in English with jazzy music, ``stay tuned for broadcast in Sinhala on 9520 in the 31 meter band``, 1330 opening with song. Meanwhile there

is a fast SAH from something in Chinese, I suppose PBS Nei Menggu, Hohhot, which is 50 kW at 36 degrees most of the time from 2150 to 1605, per Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** REUNION [and non]. Sir, Madame, Dear friends, The next Global Edition of Rallye-DX in November will organized by the DX Club of Reunion island. You will find attached the letter to radio stations.

All information are on the Facebook Events Page:
http://www.facebook.com/groups/rallyedx.2012/events/448774731822454/

Rallye-DX 2012 Facebook Groups:
http://www.facebook.com/groups/rallyedx.2012/

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(via Drita «iÁo, R. Tirana, DXLD) Viz.:

The global version of the "Rallye-DX" will start this year, from Friday 16 November 2012 at 00H00 UT to Sunday 18 November 2012 at 24H00 UT. For 72 hours, around the world at the same time, each DXer will listen the maximum shortwave broadcast radio stations, realizing the more reception reports of possible.

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As a reminder, the first edition of "Rallye-DX" took place from 1 to 4 October 1992 in Reunion island. Since the other two editions were held recently 30-31 July & 1 August 2010 and August 2011 5-6-7. We hope to count on your support by circulating now on your radio station, this information and thank you in advance for your cooperation. Cordially

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** ROMANIA. 11870-11875-11880, Sept 20 at 0529, DRM is unusually pulsing or with a regular fade, and really bothering 11870 WEWN Spanish. It`s RRI Tiganeshti in English at 0530-0600 307 degrees toward UK but also USward. By contrast RNZI DRM 11670-11680 has the usual steady noise sound (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Glenn, Looks as if they will synchronise on the 28th of October like the rest of Northern Europe (Robin VK7RH, Tasmania, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-19669880#story_continues_1

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MEDVEDEV'S RUSSIA SUMMERTIME SWITCH SET TO END
The changes could be approved this autumn, MPs say

Russia is expected to reverse a reform brought in last year by ex-president Dmitry Medvedev to reduce the stress of changing the clocks. His answer was for permanent summer time, with darker mornings during the winter but lighter afternoons.

But many Russians complained they saw even less daylight than before and were constantly tired. Now a bill has been proposed to turn back the clock and re-introduce daylight saving.

After the former president introduced the reform in 2011, Russia was almost alone in Northern Europe in not putting its clocks back an hour last October. His argument was that daylight saving caused unnecessary stress and there was public support for the change.

But after months of the capital staying dark well into the morning, many Muscovites were left longing for a return to daylight saving and Mr Medvedev's successor as president, Vladimir Putin, made clear that he had no interest in keeping the change in place. "Something might not have been thought through," Mr Putin told Interfax earlier this year.

Another unpopular change was the reduction of Russia's time zones from 11 to nine. Now the head of the Russian lower house of parliament's healthcare committee, Sergei Kalashnikov, has put forward a proposal to reinstate the 11 time zones and turn back the clocks by an hour in

winter.

The bill could be approved in time for the clocks to go back this autumn, MPs say. The committee's deputy chairman, Oleg Kulikov, said that the change would enable most of Russia to have a morning with daylight. "It's comfortable and easier to get up," he told Ria Novosti (via DXLD) Here we go again affecting SW scheduling; make up mind (gh)

** RUSSIA. Krasnoyarskiy kray. Krasnoyarsk. 13.09.2012 took Radio Russia - Krasnoyarsk (regional programme) with 2315 till 2400 UT on the frequency 6085 kHz. Reception - 44444. The Program "New the generation", local advertising, etc. Earlier Krasnoyarsk radio well, confirmed the reports about reception, do not know how it is now? (Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic antenna: Reception in the village of 150 km. South-East of the city of Ryazan, Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ì deneb-radio-dxî via RusDX Sept 23 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. RADIO LIBERTY TO STOP MEDIUM-WAVE BROADCASTS IN RUSSIA ON NOV. 10 --- Kyiv Post 21 September 2012
http://www.kyivpost.com/content/russia-and-former-soviet-union/radio-liberty-to-stop-medium-wave-broadcasts-in-russia-on-nov-10-313293.html

Moscow - Radio Liberty will stop its medium-wave broadcasts in Russia starting Nov. 10 but will preserve its online broadcasts, Yelena Glushkova, the head of the Radio Free Europe office in Russia, told Interfax.

"We plan to stop our medium-wave broadcasts starting Nov. 10, as this is stipulated by Russian law. There are more than 48% of foreigners among our founders, and therefore we have no right to continue broadcasts in this range in Russia. Our lawyers recommended such a solution to us so as not to violate Russian law, and we always comply with the letter of the law," she said.

Glushkova pointed out that the termination of MW broadcasts has no relation to the coming of new head of Radio Liberty's Moscow office Maria (Masha) Gessen.

"This has no relation to Maria Gessen. We simply do not want to break the law. But we will certainly remain on the Internet and will continue broadcasting there," she said.

A source from Radio Liberty had told Interfax earlier on Friday that employees of its Moscow office were being sacked in droves.

"Virtually everybody is getting sacked - they are calling them in alphabetical order and giving them a sack. True, they offer compensations depending on who is sacked," the source said.

Radio Liberty management says in explaining its moves that the Russian law is being amended and the radio station will have no frequency on medium waves, and therefore its broadcasts will be available only online, he said.

"In reality, everything is being mopped up for Ms. Gessen, who has been appointed the new head of Radio Liberty's Moscow office," he said. Gessen herself said on Facebook that she did not order the firing of the radio station's Internet service.

Gessen said she had sent a letter to Radio Free Europe in May as a consultant, in which she "described the general situation in the Moscow office and gave a number of recommendations, noting that a decision on particular individuals would have to be made by a new director, whoever it is."

"The RFE management answered to the effect that 'many thanks' and everything was certainly right, but waiting for a new director to come is a luxury that they could not afford and that the service should have been reformed yesterday," Gessen said. She insisted that all decisions on personnel this week were made not by her but by the previous management.

"By this moment (Gessen's appointment as the director), the reform plan, including the roster, had been drawn up, and I was invited precisely to the position of the director of a reformed service, and this is the very job I accepted. I have no reasons to doubt that the decisions that were made are right: all that I know about the decision-making process makes me think that these decisions are correct. That they were not made by me is just a historical fact," Gessen said.

It was reported earlier that Lyudmila Telen, the editor of Radio Liberty's website, had announced the dismissal of the radio station's Internet service on Facebook, saying that this was Gessen's decision (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Moderator - presumably means the 1044 kHz relay listed in WRTH 2012? (BDXC-UK yg moderator, via DXLD)

Yes, I heard 1044 with good signals when I was in Moscow in June. It appeared to be on air 24/7, unlike the VOA relay on 810 which was on at ?0200?-1900 GMT.

The MW band in Moscow is already rather empty, with only nine strong local signals audible during the day, of which three are relays of foreign stations (738 WRN, 810 VOA, 1044 Radio Liberty).

Similarly, on longwave, there are now only two locals (198 Mayak and 261 Radio Russia - both of which are duplicated on MW). (Chris Greenway, ibid.)

What will happen to Moskva Kurkino 1044? I am sure that the Sankt Petersburg Radio Zvezda will survive on 1440 beyond 10 November 2012. 73's and 88's (Dan Goldfarb, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Once I found 12m open from exotic Denmark, q.v., I seek out other sigs, Sept 23, and tnx for the certain fonetically-given calls: QRZ.com is stalled, overloaded, so I have to resort to qrzcq.com

24935-USB, RA4CC calling CQ at 1347: Alex Kochnev, 410002 SARATOV European Russia

24972-USB, UA3APM, JBA at 1351: SERGEJ, MOSCOW, UL. B. SPASSKAYA, 10/1-428, European Russia

And even 10 metres:
28482-USB approx., RL3A at 1354 calling CQ DX Stateside: RK3AWL A.R.C Zelenograd, European Russia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Or rather Tselenograd, unless you are filtering Russian thru German (gh)

** RUSSIA. 9574 multitones: see MOROCCO

** RWANDA. INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTERS ON TV HELP RWANDA ADOPT ENGLISH AS "MEDIUM OF EDUCATION AND ADMINISTRATION." Posted: 25 Sep 2012

Worldcrunch, 19 Sept 2012, Fanny Kaneza: "For most Rwandans, English is a foreign language although its usage in banks, shops, the media and administration has significantly increased. As many Rwandans do not understand it, they struggle with paperwork and end up avoiding English-only stores and businesses altogether. In the streets of Kigali, French and Kinyarwanda (Rwandan) shop signs have been overtaken by English. The same phenomenon is also taking place in the media. Rwanda's only free-to-air TV station TVR, which is state-owned, broadcasts English-language programs from the BBC, Voice of America, Deutsche Welle and South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC). Chronicles and news bulletins make up the only truly national programs.

English also prevails on private radio. 'Itís as if banks and radio stations donít want to reach the majority of Rwandans,' says a villager from Bugesera, in the Eastern Province. Kinyarwanda, French and English are Rwanda's three official languages. The last national census, carried out in 2002, showed that 99.7% of Rwandans living in the country spoke Kinyarwanda, 3.9% spoke French, 1.9% spoke English

and 3% Kiswahili (Swahili is used as a lingua franca in East Africa).
...

In 2008, the Rwandan government decided to change the medium of education and administration from French to English. The government wanted 'to give precedence to the language that would make Rwandans more competent.' They justified their decision by saying English was the language of business and would facilitate Rwandaís integration into the East African Community (EAC) ñ whose members are all Anglophones." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** SAAR. [re 12-38:] The photos in the link Kai referenced show very clearly how the insulator assemblies of the "post-and-frame" type are *supposed* to function. In case of the failure of the porcelain post, the frame prevents failure of the guy line. But if the frame itself is undersized or deteriorates with corrosion so that its integrity is compromised, then the interlocking nature of the mechanism is to no avail. So it's actually possible that maintenance wasn't the issue, and that the original structural analysis of the frame assembly was not thorough enough (done with static analysis only and not dynamic, for example) or that not enough safety factor was included in the analysis (Ben Dawson, Iceland, Hatfield-Dawson, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 17660.032, 1416-, BSKSA, Sep 23. Happened to tune past this one while searching for the RTE football broadcast. Not often heard in other languages, especially on the west coast [French]. 500 kW listed from Riyadh to W Africa. Muffly audio, but otherwise a fair + signal and improving after our local dawn to good level. No parallels to check according to the WRTH summer supplement. All their eggs in one basket, it seems. Much improved at 1505 recheck at good/very good level. Off frequency on 17660.032. Some deep fades. Still somewhat over-modulated, making for a muddy transmission (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

21505, Sept 23 at 1358, BSKSA good S9+12 with Arabic music. This signal is usually audible, but better than usual now, as we hopefully approach fall enhancement of 13m. This is the only BSKSA signal on 13m I ever hear, not even a trace of the others which used to be prolific on 13m. Current HFCC shows the following registered after 1200 when imminent sunrise here starts to open the band:

21460 13-16
21505 12-15, 295 degrees, OK, but not ideal for NAm like 21640
21530 12-15 (Urdu)
21600 12-14 at 310 degrees
21640 12-15
Are all those really on the air? Where super-strong they also used to provide multiple leapfrog mixing products (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF

RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15224.974, At the opening of two hours Call of Islam program at 1500-1505 UT Sept 25 and then to 1515 UT, heard a more modern westernized music program type from Riyadh, totally in Arabic, // 15434.982 kHz. At 1515 UT switched to live coverage of HQ prayer to the crowd (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5019.88, SIBC/R. Happy Isles, 1125 dedication and request call-in program with W host who answered phone "Hello SIBC" quickly speaking and slurring words. Religious inspirational talk at 1156. 1200 full closing ID, instrumental NA. Good and as strong as Rebelde. (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

5019.88, SIBC, 1117 church choral singing, then religious program M host in Pijin, and more choral music. Nice signal this morning. Not as much Rebelde slop QRM as usual. LSB was clear. (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** SOMALILAND. SOMALIA, 7120, Sept 15 at 18.16 UTC. Very good signal and modulation from the recently reactivated R. Hargeisa. Somali long music tracks, with OM talks in Somali. Recording: http://bit.ly/OSjgrh (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

He originally put periods at the end of every audio link, and I have been removing them so they will work, but on this one I just noticed that MSWord then helpfully changed the OS to Os, lower case s, on the stupid assumption that there is a word which should properly be spelt Osjgrh! I hope that did not happen with any of the previous ones. Let this be a lesson, do NOT put any punxuation immediately next to URLs, even if you feel compelled to follow with a comma or period (gh, DXLD)

7120, R. Hargeisa, Signal on the air at 0329:48 and HoA music start at 0334:30. Finally very weak long talk or speech by M at 0407-0415 but was fading badly by this time. Hams on 7128 blasting away and splattering all over at 0414. Will have to keep watching this and hopefully get an ID announcement before it fades. Nice to hear it here at home. And tnx to Ron Howard tip!! (19 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

Radio Hargaysa. Something from HOA heard on 7120 kHz from 0453 UT tune to past 0521 UT tonight (Sept 19 UT) via Perseus network station in Austria when a combination of signal fade and French and Spanish ARO's pretty much took care of the signal/programming sounded much like what I heard from Hargeysa around 1845 UT two days ago.

Tribal chanting (a cappella) from tune-in to 0458 UT then into typical HOA vocal/instrumentals with no break for announcements. VoBM is listed here from 0300 to 0700 UT but Eritrea hasn't been reported down here for a long while (that I can remember, anyway) - usually they're up around 7180-7200 kHz moving around to avoid heavy jamming.

No jamming heard on this transmission. SINPO 33433 but fading after 0510 UT and fighting increasing ARO folks near the freq. Had to jump between LSB and USB to avoid ARO AM xmtrs but that worked well enough until the signal weakened. The music was easy to copy but any speech would have been difficult (Bruce W. Churchill-CA-USA, DXplorer Sept 19 via BCDX 22 Sept via DXLD)

?? Could those times be an hour off, too late? Tho much closer, propagation to Europe should also be controlled by sunrise over east Africa and on roughly same short-path signal route prolonged which we find fades out by 0430! (gh, DXLD)

7120, tune-in at 0329 UT Sept 20, R. Hargeisa carrier is on at good S9+15 level, better than last night, BFO not needed, and vocal HOA music starts shortly after 0330. Long cuts with occasional pauses, seguÈs. Since reception declines gradually, we wish they would have said something at first like a sign-on in English greeting new listeners in North America! But it`s all-music except for announcements of about one minute in presumed Somali at 0355, 0405:30 (this one could have been in heavily-accented English), 0415 and I think at 0423 as it is gone by 0426.

Held up pretty well until weakening at 0348; not much QRhaM, but some CW now and then, and SSB almost far enough away on the hi side. Atmospheric noise was the main problem, altho the lightning strike map only showed some small spots around Lake Michigan, off Cape Hatteras, and in the Gulf of Mexico. Since Hargaysa is less than 10 degrees north latitude, there is little variation in local sunrise time, currently 0253 UT (so lasting a sesquihour after that is doing well), and gaining only 20 minutes by Winter Solstice at 0313. And the morning transmission could still be only a test at the behest of DXers, so hasten to hear it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Presumed Somaliland heard in Houston on 7120 at 0335 Sept. 20. What else would be on this frequency? Poor signal, but surprisingly fair on a few peaks. Music consistent with this part of Africa. After 0345

signal slowly deteriorating; just an occasional flutter at a 0410 check. Weather data shows Hargeisa sunrise at 0253 UT, so signal deterioration occurring about an hour afterwards. Highest latitude for a Hargeisa-Houston path would be 47 degrees north.

Checked 4780 for nearby Djibouti, hearing something extremely weak, but down too far in the noise level to discern what it might be. Has this been heard recently? (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also heard here in Waco, even on Sony 7600 with whip. JL (Jerry Lenamon, TX, ibid.)

Re: Radio Hargeisa: New GE imagery taken last month (2012-08). Looks like a new 4mast SW (fountain antenna) here: 9¬ 34'28.66"N 44¬ 3'35.42"E. Comments? (Ian Baxter, NSW, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

Ian, I see 3 masts, spacing about 22 m (72 feet), looks more like supports for a dipole or quadrant. JL (Jerry Lenamon, ibid.)

China has recently installed a new 100 kW SW transmitter for R. Hargeisa so any new antenna could be for that installation. I am travelling there by early next year to carry out repairs for their 25 kW Elcor. Also looking at the antenna feed which I think is faulty (David ``transmitter man``, ibid.)

7120, Radio Hargeisa/Hargaysa. John Herkimer (NY) observed an interesting sign on at 0330 on Sept 20, when the station suddenly started playing music, but shortly after that the volume of the audio dramatically increased. I had the same thing happen with my Sept 20 sign on with HOA music at 1502; was very weak; at 1504 had a big jump in volume, up to fair to almost good reception (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120.0, PRESUMED R. Hargaysa at *0330 UT with excellent signal. Tuned into unmodulated carrier at 0329 UT. Abrupt into back to back music consisting of a cross between Hi-Life and Horn of Africa music at 0330 UT. No sign on anncs but did catch short announcement by OM announcer at 0355 UT but did not get an ID out of it. An approx 1 minute .mp3 audio file can be heard here:
<https:\\www.box.com/s/xnuznyf6ula7y748bcjj>
Tnx Don Jensen-WI-USA tip, Sept 20 (Charles / Chuck Rippel-VA-USA, DXplorer Sept 20 via BCDX 22 Sept via DXLD)

7120, R. Hargeisa, OC followed by HoA music. Finally a 1 minute announcement by M at 0354:55 in which there were mentions of what sounded like "Radio Ree-kah". More music, then different M again at 0405:22 with more mentions Radio "Ree-kah". Music again 0406. 0414:15

more announcements by same M starting with mention of Radio Ree-Kah which must be an ID. Same thing again at 0423:04. Odd though as I didn't hear this in Ron Howard`s recording. Fading after 0400 of course and nearly inaudible by 0445 (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7120, Hargeisa also on air in 1530-1545 UT Sept 20 slot, tiny weak level, but increasing signal here in Europe after 1700 UT. Hopefully keep this low level, like Djibouti 4780 which both use - probably - a fountain like Near Vertical Incidence Skywave non-directional antenna.

Sorry Ian, all these GE images of Hargeisa are too dim; but I like this Italian architecture type transmitter building of Mussolini era. Similar houses built in Ethiopia and Eritrea too, during Italian colonial empire occupation. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. Strano ascolto sui 7120 kHz! Proprio ora sui 7120 kHz dove trasmette Radio Hargeisa c'Ë un radioamatore tedesco (DK5DR) che in AM (non in banda laterale) fa chiamata citando anche la Somalia. Boh! Roby ñ (Roberto Rizzardi, SWL I/0216/GR, Porto S. Stefano (GR) Italy, 1705 UT Sept 20, bclnews.it yg via DXLD) Ora QSO in tedesco, sempre in AM, con sotto Hargeisa (Roby, 1715 UT ibid.)

(presumed), 7120, R. Hargeysa at 1825 mostly music and a few announcements in presumably Somali (Sep 20); strong but much interference from hams 73, (Alexander [Koutamanis???], Netherlands, Cumbredx via DXLD)

7120, Sept 21 at 0328, S9+12 open carrier is already on from R. Hargeisa. This time no modulation is applied until 0338:52 with Horn of Africa vocal music. Somali announcement at 0344, more music, and another one at 0355 but now there is QRhaM from someone crying ``hola, hola``; music continues past 0400, weakening, as I bail out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Hargeisa --- per Glenn's listing went listening for the station this evening. 09/22/2012 0330z 7120 khz, station came up with slight cw interference, good signal. Male announcer with a lot of music (Chuck Sayers, Harrisburg PA, K3ETD, swl at qth.net via DXLD)

7120, Radio Hargeysa, at 0327-0433 UT on Sept 21. Big open carrier at 0327 UT, with abrupt start of HoA music at 0339 UT. OM announcement at 0344 with several "Radio Hargeysa" IDs. Programming was all HoA vocals, typically two songs, followed by announcements. Announcements from the male DJ heard at 0344, 0355, 0404, 0413, 0416 UT. Each of these announcements contained at least one ID. I tuned away at 0416

UT, but the signal was still there (although much weaker) at 0433 re-check. SINPO was 33444 at tune-in, but degraded to 33333 by 0433 UT. If they continue at these power levels, this is a fairly easy catch on ECNA at 0330 UT (George Maroti-NY-USA, DXplorer Sept 21 via BCDX 22 Sept via DXLD)

7120, R Hargeisa SOM, 1727 21 September, music local mix + ID noise HAM, Taped, 33333 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

7120, Sept 22 did not tune in R. Hargeisa until 0355, metering S9+12, but now it`s weaker than the noise level and the CW QRhaM, of which there is likely to be more on the weekends.

7120, Sept 23 at 0332, no signal from R. Hargeisa, so are they through testing in the mornings for DXers westward? There was some weak SSB ham in Spanish right on frequency. I went on to tune elsewhere, but at 0355 recheck, R. Hargeisa is now on with HOA music, poor signal, still with SSB and CW QRhaM. 0401 announcement and vocal music, better now at S9+15 peak, and hardly any fading. By 0424 it`s degraded to a JBA carrier. Wolfgang B¸schel in Germany was also checking this: no signal at 0348, but on at 0353, declining by 0430 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Proper signal of Hargeisa before 0400 UT, not on air at 0348 UT Sept 23, but at 2nd tune-in at 0353 UT heard loud and clear local music, etc. S=8-9 in Germany. Signal declined after 0430 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SOMALILAND: RH WORLDWIDE TRANSMISSION UPDATES
By: Yusuf Mohamed Hasan

HARGEISA (Somalilandsun) ñ Radio Hargeisa continues to be heard in the USA, Europe and Far East. According to Don Jensen of Kenosha (Wisconsin) USA which is 100 km north of Chicago RH broadcast are continuously audible on shortwave frequency 7120 KHz again in the United States as noted here in the north central part of America.

Mr. Jensen informs that reception is available once the new transmitter is turned on at 6:27 a.m. Hargeisa time (GMT+3) or (0327 UTC)) but programming does not start until 6:38 a.m. Hargeisa time (0338 UTC) with very enjoyable Somali music. The first announcement is usually heard at 6:44 a.m. Hargeisa time (0344 UTC), with Identifications for Radio Hargeisa and mentions of Somaliland clearly heard. You may [sic] The signal began to fade. You can hear that there was some static interference with a rainstorm in this area, but the signal is strong.

The retired US journalist who has continuously kept the nation update on RH transmissions worldwide through Somalilandsun said that regular email communication with typical listeners from California to New York, across the US, who has found the RH broadcasts, even on rather simple battery-powered radios using no more than the receiver's built-in "whip" or rod antenna. Any listener, including the many Somaliland expatriates now living in places like Minneapolis (state of Minnesota) ñ only about 400 km from Don's home in Kenosha Wisconsin could hear the signals from their homeland.

Don further added that one friend who is a RH listener in eastern U.S. Said to, "If they (Radio Hargeisa) continue at these power levels, this is a fairly easy catch in east coast North America at 0330 UTC."

"I am so happy to have been able to be of some assistance in spreading the word about the new operations of Radio Hargeisa," Says Jensen
On the European front, the signals continue in increasing strength with broadcasts heard without any static.

Mr. Andy Lawendel, Milan, and Northern Italy who says he followed the Mogadishu president selection on Radio Hargeisa informed this
Said he, "It's really good to know, from your own excellent coverage and from Radio Hargeisa resuming its activities, the situation in Somaliland now Allows for a regular output of news and commentaries"

According to Mr. Lawendel, Currently, several shortwave transmissions Can be monitored from Countries in the Horn's Region of Africa, in the 49 and 41 meters shortwave band, at that's really rewarding for both, Radio hobbyist and a professional journalist and reader deeply interested in getting to the very background of events. So thanks to the Institutions and fellow journalist making it possible
The journalist based in Italy says that he and friends are anxiously awaiting full time content in English and other more accessible languages thus make the station more even more interesting and instructive).

Mr. Andy Lawendel, Milan, Northern Italy can be found at
http://www.radiopassioni.it

In response to a question by Somalilandsun on whether the Radio Hargeisa broadcasts signal is only available to Ham operators Mr. Don Jensen was kind enough to enlighten on the difference between a Ham operator and other listeners

QUOTE "You asked about hams, or amateur radio operators. Actually, a ham, and I believe Mr. Suleiman (technical director ministry of information) may be a ham radio operator himself, is one who not only has a radio receiver, but a low powered transmitter, which allow him

to have conversations, both sending and receiving, with other hams. In most countries, the governments as being technically proficient enough to accomplish such radio connections with other hams license them. Though I once, was a licensed ham, with my government assigned call letters KN4ISC that ended some decades ago. In time that is more recent, I have been what am termed a shortwave listener (or SWL).

Listeners, of course, require no licenses, and I have allowed my ham license to expire. Now, and for some years, I have only listened to broadcasting stations such as Radio Hargeisa, for their program content and for the challenge of hearing distant stations that broadcast programs. I especially enjoy music of other lands, and I surely enjoy Somali music. Thus, it is possible to enjoy programs even without always understanding the spoken words that accompany musical programs. To be a shortwave listener, it does help to have a high quality radio receiver, but if the signals are strong enough, it surely is possible to hear stations with a rather simple battery operated radio. In fact, this morning, one acquaintance of mine mentioned in an email to me that he listened to Radio Hargeisa with quite nice signals on such a battery powered portable using nothing more than its built-in whip type antenna.

So, most of the people with whom I have contact via email around the world an here in the US, are those like myself, who enjoy learning about other countries via shortwave radio broadcasts.

Now some hams also are interested in that as well (in addition to their own radio conversations with other hams) So far, I would think that Radio Hargeisa's listeners would be mostly Shortwave Listeners (SWLs) with some additional amateur radio operators (Hams) mixed in with that audience.

Another potential audience should be Somalis now living in the US and Canada, such as the rather substantial Somali diaspora population in the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota Area.

SOURCE:
http://somalilandsun.com/index.php?
option=com_content&view=article&id=1508:somaliland-rh-worldwide-transmission-updates&catid=44:government
(Via Mike Cooper, GA, and Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, Sept 23, DXLD)

7120, Sept 24 not checked until 0401, and R. Hargeisa is now very poor with fading; at least it`s still on in the morning.

7120, Sept 25 at 0338 check, R. Hargeisa with only poor signal in noise on quick check.

7120, Sept 26 at 0328.5, R. Hargeisa carrier is already on at S9+12, but heavy T-storms south of here raise the noise level so high that it`s hard to tell if and when modulation starts (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 15105, TWR Africa via Meyerton, 1605 Sept 25, vernacular, (Kirundi listed 1557-1627 Mon-Fri), hymn followed by man preaching. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [and non]. 21610, Sept 22 at 1319, REE talk with modulation breakup from Noblejas; also lite echo at times. Could it be long-path on such a hi frequency? At least bi-path (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11880, REE via COSTA RICA, Sunday Sept 23 at 1243, discussion and illustration of Spanish musical styles, so `Amigos de la Onda Corta` DX program is missing again; no convenient Noblejas frequency to check, but // much weaker 11910 via CHINA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi everyone, anyone else hearing something that looks like a Spanish transmission on 15024 - 15025 kHz, in a very buzzing transmitter audio. Hearing it with weak to fair signal at 1955 UT. It can`t be really an image since it's on my Icom IC R8500. It is buzzing transmitter, and when it's strong enough, it is Spanish language. I would guess some kind of harmonic from a faulty transmitter.

[later:] Hey everyone, I was able to identify the signal on 15024. It seems to be Radio Exterior de EspaÒa, in Spanish. After listening for a while, I tuned another receiver to the 15110 signal and could match the audio. It seems that it's some kind of buzzing spur transmitted by the transmitter. 73's (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, 2026 UT Sept 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11880, Monday Sept 24 at 1245, REE via COSTA RICA is again Basqueless, defaulting to Castilian discussion of JapÛn v. China.

21610, Sept 26 at 1319, REE definitely has a short/long path echo today. The long path goes out 120 degrees from Noblejas across N Africa, exiting at southern Somalia, across Indian Ocean south of Australia, across NZ, Pacific, entering North America over Baja California Sur. Short path is 4850 miles, so long path would be 20050 statute miles, taking the approx. equatorial circumference as 24900 miles. So the LP is 15200 miles longer than the SP, and at the speed of radio, 186,000 miles per second, that makes a 0.08 second delay. Of course these figures should be slightly greater since the signals are

bouncing off the ionosphere, not along ground level. Azimuth for this transmission is 110 degrees, which means most of the nominal 250 kW is heading out along the long path in the first place, tho seldom propagable all the way back here on such a high frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [and non]. According to Svetlana Demidova, presenter of REE's Russian service, REE did not participate in B12 [HFCC Paris] conference "due to complicated situation inside REE". She said that their technical service can say nothing certain so far. Svetlana also mentioned staff dismissals, wage cuts, transferring of employees to other departments of RTVE and so on. Besides, REE has been without director for five months now. But still, she hopes that the station will continue on short wave in B12.

P.S. Despite being the only presenter at REE's Russian service, she makes great programs. Thanks to her, some programming made by Russian services of Radio Prague and Radio Slovakia International still can be heard on short wave via REE. A while back, "Radiopanorama", a DX/SWL/media program hosted by Vadim Alekseyev was also added (this program is a continuation of "Club DX" show aired on Russian service of Radio Moscow/Voice of Russia from 1989 till 2011). -- (Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, Sept 24, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Above could explain a lot of anomalies we have noted, programming missing, spurs, modulation problems, etc. (gh, DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 7189.85, SLBC, CLN, Ekala, 0135 23 September, px mx locale, weak signal // 11905khz-> (44444), 22322 (Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT-, -JRC525Nrd - Lowe HF150-, playdx yg via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 15320, 1426-, AWR Mandarin, Sep 22. A very powerful signal. Besides 15340 RHC blasting away, this is the next strongest station on the band with very clean audio, and a gentle female speaker and light piano music, with birds chirping in the background. At 1429:30 there was an English ID for AWR, followed by their multilingual ID. Then, 'the following program is in Mandarin' (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 7200, R. Omdurman, Suddenly on at 0232:40 with native music in progress but barely modulated. Apparently V. of Broad Masses also here starting at 0313. (20 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** SUDAN [non]. 11650, 0430, 20-09-2012, R. Dabanga in Arabic with ID and informative program. Acceptable. // 15400 here reception is

better.

11650, 0400, 21-09-2012, full ID by female, vernacular. Radio Tamazuj via Madagascar, also operating on 15400. Then, at 0430 comes Dabanga in Arabish!

Finally, I observed Vatican Radio in French towards Africa but on 11625 at 0400 (tuning another of my receivers at the same time), not on 11640 (Leonardo Santiago, MÈrida, Venezuela, YB80-KA33, Enviado desde mi BlackBerry de Movistar, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. UNIDENTIFIED SITE: 11560, UNMISS program, R Miraya FM is back on this channel, noted in slot my tune-in 0400-0430 UT Sept 23. Pure English program, Sudan economical news read by young woman, then followed at 0410 UT by "Miraya ...morning? ... Show". S=8-9 in Germany, better on remote units in Italy and southern Austria. Weak to non-existent signal in UK, HOL, BEL, Scandinavia and Moscow at 0405 UT. Maybe the transmitter site changed recently? Was formerly coming from Mykolaiv Ukraine (Wolfgang B˚schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 23 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Miraya FM: see also UKRAINE

BELGIUM(non), Radio Miraya FM in English/Arabic:
0300-0600 on 11560*SMF 250 kW / 180 deg to EaAf Sun/Thu-Sun, ex Daily *test on Sep. 16, but no transmissions on Sep. 17/18/19 and start again from Sep. 20 (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. 15725, Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio, *0501-0510, Sept 26, sign on with local African tribal music and announcements in listed Arabic. Speech at 0505. Fair to good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN SOUTH. SOUTH SUDAN ACCUSES SUDAN OF SUPPLYING ARMS TO REBEL GROUP === Reuters By Hereward Holland | Reuters - 3 hours ago

[see **** marked passage **** below referring to a SW station!]

JUBA (Reuters) - South Sudan accused Sudan on Sunday of air-dropping weapons to rebels, just as the presidents of the African neighbors were about to meet to finalize a border security deal to restart oil exports.

Sudan dismissed the charges and any links to rebels in the South, which seceded from Khartoum in July last year under a 2005 peace deal that ended decades of civil war. Sudan, in turn, often accuses Juba of supporting rebels in its borderlands.

The claims came as Sudan's President Omar Hassan al-Bashir arrived in Ethiopia to wrap up with his southern counterpart, Salva Kiir, two weeks of talks to end hostilities.

African and Western officials have been trying to mediate a border security agreement between the rivals which came close to war in April.

South Sudan's army spokesman Philip Aguer said Sudanese military aircraft parachuted eight parcels of weapons and ammunition to forces of militia leader David Yau Yau in the country's east on Friday and Saturday.

The rebels later attacked the town of Likuangole in Jonglei state, but were repulsed by the South's army (SPLA), he said.

"Yesterday and today Antonov (planes) have dropped arms and ammunition around Likuangole in front of everybody, including UNMISS (the U.N. mission in South Sudan)," Aguer said.

"This is not in the spirit of the current talks in Addis Ababa. While Khartoum talks peace, their deeds on the ground tell a contrary story of hostile acts of conspiracy against the Republic of South Sudan."

UNMISS was not immediately available for comment.

Sudanese army spokesman al-Sawarmi Khalid said: "The Sudanese army has no relation to any rebel group in South Sudan and is not giving any military support to these groups."

Yau Yau, one of several militia leaders fighting the government in South Sudan, is attempting to recruit armed youth from the Murle ethnic group since arriving in the area in late July, residents in Jonglei say.

****A shortwave radio station with links to the Yau Yau rebellion says the group is fighting the government in reaction to abuses committed during a state disarmament program.**** [what station would that be??? VOSSR?]

Rights groups and UNMISS accuse South Sudan's army of human rights violations during a disarmament push aimed at ending a cycle of clashes between the Murle and Lou Nuer tribes.

Nearly 900 people died when about 7,000 armed youths of the Lou Nuer tribe attacked Murle villages in the Pibor area at the end of last year, according to the United Nations.

South Sudan is awash with weapons after a decades-long civil war with Khartoum that killed an estimated 2 million people.

The government, run mostly by former guerrilla fighters, has struggled to assert control over its vast and restive territories since declaring independence.

The two nations have been negotiating in Addis Ababa many issues left over from the secession such as marking the border and agreeing on fees for South Sudan to export its crude through the north. Juba stopped its exports in January after tensions escalated. (Editing by Robin Pomeroy) (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. SRS English now --- The last [sic] regular English broadcast from Sudan Radio Service should be starting now at 1500 Saturday on 17745 via UK (until the SW farewell on Tue 25th, presumably partly in English). Glenn Hauser 1459 UT Sept 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17745, Sept 22 at 1500, I make a point of monitoring Sudan Radio Service, via Woofferton UK, its final Saturday English broadcast before the SW farewell on Sept 25. Carrier on just before the hour, and opening English; 1502 ``news in detail`` but it`s all about South Sudan, UN activities, 1505 water shortages causing refugees, ICRC projects to mitigate this.

1508 to another announcer about the upcoming special program on Tuesday 25 Sept, last SW broadcast after 9 years since 30 July 2003. 1510 interview about UN`s International Day of Peace which was Sept 21. Poor-fair signal with fading, and accents hard to follow. At least they minimized the self-imposed echo/reverb.

1514 SRS ID and ``ending English for today`` except there was more: Crediting EDC and USAID, it broadcasts in English, simple Arabic, South Sudan languages; last week of SWBC; e-mail, text, Nairobi box.

1516 more English, inviting us to hear the special program Sept 25; SW had been ``the only option`` but not any more, expanding on FM to all of South Sudan, tnx USAID; 1519 music.

WRTH 2012 showed they had only one 2 kW FM in Juba. I gather that SRS has written off the rest of Sudan, focused only on South Sudan, where it`s listed in the national radio sexion; but in the target sexion still under plain old Sudan. The full schedule in the WRTH May update: http://www.wrth.com/files/WRTH2012IntRadioSuppl2_A12Schedules.pdf is on page 51/52 under SUDAN, not SOUTH SUDAN, altho some of the languages are for SSD and some for SDN. There are many other broadcasts on three other frequencies, and I suppose all of them are

terminating. It also shows English at other times on other days on 17745, so maybe today`s was not the penultimate yet, tho Sat 1500 is the time most often reported.

DXLD yg member Tudor Vedeanu, Romania, recorded the end of SW transmissions announcement:
http://youtu.be/cJXUz_2SccE
And one by Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1-hZcBa0s38&feature=plcp
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello everyone, Like Glenn mentioned last transmission of the SRS Sudan English today. Fair to good reception here in Montreal at 1430 UT on 17745. A little 2-3 minute video with ID and announcement of end of shortwave on my channel here:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1-hZcBa0s38&feature=plcp
73's (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada,
http://www.youtube.com/radiomanmontreal
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

English broadcast ended at 1600 UT. Good signal here in Romania. Here is a recording I made with the end of SW transmissions announcement:
http://youtu.be/cJXUz_2SccE
(Tudor Vedeanu (Gura Humorului, Romania), ibid.)

UNITED KINGDOM, 17745, 1520-, Sudan Radio Service, Sep 22. Once again, thanks to Glenn for reminding me of this last regular English broadcast from the SRS. Fair, sometimes good reception with deep fades. Music when I tuned in. English by YL at 1522, with slight echo, presumably short/long path reception. Very difficult to copy her (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I was listening as well. A pretty difficult copy on the WCNA, but did hear mentions of the final broadcast, and a little history of SRS. Some deep fades. Generally better early than later in the transmission. After 1600 difficult to make much out at all (I can hear the YL speak, but no content. Not in English, though). Lots of music bridges (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

SUDAN RADIO SERVICE FINALE IMMINENT --- A reminder that Tuesday Sept 25 at 1500 (until 1700?), SRS will air its final SW broadcast, 17745 via Woofferton UK. Glenn Hauser, earlier Sept 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Excellent reception with a man and woman in conversation, not in English, at 1550 UT (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

No English yet at 1620, except for the occasional word such as ``shortwave``. Will there ever be any English by 1700*? Reception is fading down (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

But now at 1630-17 UT in very clear British English. Powerhouse S=9+20dB. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, ibid.)

Very unclear here, but I thought the guy being interviewed sounded American (gh, DXLD)

Barely intelligible here against a huge background of static, but I'm about 120m[iles?] north of Woofferton. So it's not pointing at me :-) -- (Tony Molloy, nr Winter Hill, UK, SD639114, 53.6 N 2.55 W, IO83ro, CCW SDR-4+ & SDR-Radio, Slinky dipoles running N/S & E/W, Twitter @swlistener swlistener.wordpress.com, 1632 UT, ibid.)

Yes, continues at very good level at 1647 in English. Accent, IMHO, is very African English rather than British English. Not too hard to follow, though, compared to the English I hear from Nigeria, for example.

They mentioned at 1652 this being the final broadcast of SRS, etc., and then goodbye. Into music. Not sure whether there'll be anything more from them or not.

Nope, the YL came back at 1657 with what's going to happen in the future. Starting to fade, though, so more difficult to follow now. Switching from my North directed corner fed loop, to the ALA 100 (more E/W) improved reception, but with slight long/short path echo. The transmitter, unfortunately cut prematurely at 1659:30 while she was in mid-sentence; Not a nice was to say goodbye! (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Hello DXers, Very Good reception of SRS here in Cairo, with the goodbye announcement in African accent they mentioned they are going to be on FM band all over South Sudan. A recording of the last few minutes of SRS you may check my sound cloud page
http://www.soundcloud.com/su1tz
All the best from Cairo, Egypt (Tarek Zeidan, ibid.)

17745, Sept 25 I am monitoring the publicized final SW broadcast of Sudan Radio Service. Carrier from Woofferton UK on a few sex before 1500, sign-on announcement by echoey YL seems already in progress. Nothing in English except for the occasional word or term lacking in Arabish or native languages: ``Sudan Radio Service``, ``shortwave``, ``EDC, USAID``. Usual mix of Arabish talk and music segments as I kept listening hoping for English. 1534 off-key children`s choir; 1601 theme and address, credits, but not fully in English. Reception is

declining from initial fair signal. I believe they finally went into English at 1630 when it was poor and I had other things to do, but noted final QRT at 1659:30*. After all this trouble to hear their final English, I may have to resort to:

The audio ``archive`` http://www.sudanradio.org/audio which consists only of the previous day`s English and Arabic news, as of Sept 25 at 1730 still availablizing only Sept 24, so the final (SW) Sept 25 broadcast should be there for only 24 hours once it is up. Website still does not claim anything but one FM frequency, 98.6 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Last SW broadcast after nine years in service. Started on SW on 30 July 2003. Listen to the condensed recording of Sept 25th, 1630-1659:35 UT, TX Woofferton transmission OFF. vy73 wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SYRIA. 783, Syrian Arab Republic Radio, Tartus, SEP 18 0300 - Very good, with Arabic-type popular song into sharp cutaway to the Syrian national anthem, instrumental, at 0300. Then a 20 second pause followed by brief female talk, and then a very odd sounding plinky string version of Ini Kamoze's "Here Comes the Hotstepper" (Brent Taylor, VY2HF, Stratford PEI; SDR-IQ with 16 x 60 corner-fed loop, NRC International DX Digest via DXLD) Watch out for another Arab on 783, Mauritania //7245 when on (gh, DXLD)

** TAHITI. 738, Sept 20 at 1120, JBA carrier looping WSW, likely this which others with greater gain are hearing into deep North America. No signals on the NHK splits (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. 11300, Sound of Hope, 1213, Sept 21. Usual ID given at this time; spelled out: ìw-w-w-s-o-u-n-d-o-f-h-o-p-e-o-r-gî followed by ìSound of Hopeî in English with religious song in the background; news in Chinese before and after; poor-fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [non]. 11995, 0200, 24-09-2012, sign on from Radio Taiw·n Internacional via French Guyana. Then news bulletin and listenersís mailbag ìEl carteroî. SINPO 35433. Better reception from Okeechobee, at least when they donít mix Chinese instead of Spanish and so on. Also better reception for their English transmissions via Issoudun, France, when they are targeted to Africa (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see GUIANA FRENCH

** TAIWAN. Radio Taiwan International, German service, in October again direct from Taiwan of Tainan site:

Radio Taiwan International sendet im Oktober 2012 wieder direkt aus

Tainan/Taiwan. Gesendet wird jeweils von 1700-1800 UT auf 9955 kHz an folgenden Tagen:

Mittwoch, 3. Oktober
Freitag, 5. Oktober
Samstag, 6. Oktober
Sonntag, 7. Oktober
Mittwoch,10. Oktober
Freitag, 12. Oktober
Samstag, 13. Oktober
Sonntag, 14. Oktober

Am 03.10. gibt es eine spezielle Live-Call-in Sendung. Wozu eine kostenfreie Telefonnummer geschaltet wird. An den anderen Tagen wird das regulaere Programm ausgestrahlt.

Quelle:
http://german.rti.org.tw/Content/WhatsNewSingle.aspx?ContentID=151861
(Jan Balzer-D, A-DX Sept 21 via BC-DX 22 Sept via DXLD)

So only on certain days of the week for a biweek; what is the point of this, tests pending possible loss of relays in B-12? (gh, DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. 15760, SOH Chinese service, endless comment by man, from Yangi Yul site, 1200-1230 UT, not in Aoki list yet, latter mentions 1130-1200 UT.

15517, Voice of Tibet in Tibetan to Western China, from Yangi Yul site in TJK, at 1215 UT S=9+10dB signal in southern Germany. Suddenly China mainland Firedrake jamming stopped on even 15520 kHz at 1213 UT Sept 21 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Sept 21, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 22 Sept via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. New transmission for Voice of Tibet in Tibetan from Sep. 17: 1530-1600 on 15500 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs, QRM WYFR Gujarati on 15495 (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. CHINA/TAJIKISTAN, Heard two Voice of Tibet outlets from Yangi Yul on air in //, on 15487 and 15562 kHz at 1309-1311 UT tune in. Hit both by heavy China mainland FIREDRAKE music jamming on 15485 and 15560 kHz.

15795, Heavy CNR talk jamming against AIR Chinese service noted at 1304-1306 UT Sept 25 tune-in S=9+10dB jammer signal, like similar strength level Firedrake against Voice of Tibet on 15485 and 15560 too (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyhg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. RADIO TAKES VOICE OF TIBETANS ACROSS THE WORLD

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/Radio-takes-voice-of-Tibetans-across-the-world/articleshow/16566252.cms
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dx_sasia yg via DXLD)

General article mentioning RFA, VOA, VOT, and seems to be cut off, with no page 2 (gh, DXLD)

** TRISTAN DA CUNHA. ZD9UW - Tristan Da Cunha - UPDATE: Some bad news unfortunately: Martin, G3ZAY, has been forced to cancel his onward journey from Cape Town to Tristan. Rob, M0VFC, will still continue, and be active as ZD9UW. This means that it's now a single operator activation, and will concentrate primarily on SSB with some RTTY. Further info at:
http://zd9uw.org.uk/
73 and Good DX! (via Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ, I.C.P.O. Bulletin (21-28 September 2012) "Islands, Castles & Portable Operations" via ODXA yg via DXLD) Viz.:

Welcome to ZD9UW

On 17th September 2012, Martin G3ZAY and Rob M0VFC will leave England and start our journey for Tristan da Cunha - the most remote inhabited island in the world. The first leg takes us to Cape Town, where we board the MV "Baltic Trader" and embark on a seven day journey over the South Atlantic Ocean. Weather permitting, we should arrive on Tristan around the 27th September, where we will operate from until the 4th October before returning to Cape Town. It promises to be the adventure of a lifetime!

Latest news --- Leaving Cape Town

The Baltic Trader, the cargo ship that Rob is on, left Cape Town at about 1730 UT today (20th September). As long as there is AIS coverage, you can follow the vessel's progress on the MarineTraffic website.

One operator down --- Some bad news unfortunately: Martin G3ZAY has been forced to cancel his onward journey from Cape Town to Tristan.

Rob M0VFC will still continue, and be active as ZD9UW. This means that it's now a single operator activation, and will concentrate primarily on SSB with some RTTY. Since our goal is to enable as many people as possible to work ZD9 for the first time, this means the number of bands we can activate will be limited - concentrating mostly on the higher bands. We're sorry if this means you don't get to work us on

the particular slots you were after - we'll do our best given the situation!

Update: Just to clarify, Martin's decision not to continue his trip is a precautionary measure to avoid aggravating a previous problem that had just recurred. There hasn't been any sort of serious incident (via DXLD)

** TUNISIA [and non]. 7275, Sept 25 at 0553, IWT is missing; normally much louder than Mauritania 7245, but there is a weaker S9+10 signal on 7275, presumably uncovered NIGERIA, un- or just-barely modulated.

7275, Sept 26 at 0503, IWT is back on with music after having been missing 24 hours earlier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. GiovedÏ 20 settembre 2012
0514 - 11510 DENGE KURDISTAN, tk OM. BN-SF [good to sufficient]
0515 - 11560 MIRAYA FM, Mx pop e annunci OM. SF-IN
(Luca Botto Fiora, QTH G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

Questions had been raised about whether Miraya FM, from and to Sudan, was still on the air, along with the Denge Kurdistan QSY from 11530 to 11510, but there it is, as in HFCC:
11560 0300 0600 47,48 SMF 250 180 0 218 1234567 250312 281012 D 12500 Ara,EnG UKR MIR TDP (gh, DXLD)

** U K. BBC World Service : Robin Lustig
Radio Today 19 September 2012

The World Tonight and Newshour presenter Robin Lustig has today announced his decision to stop hosting regular shows after 23 years. The Sony Award winner will leave at the end of this year to get back to reporting and other projects.

ìThis has been an immensely difficult decision, but I think now is a good time for me to bow out and see if Iím still capable of doing anything else,î Robin said.

ìItís been a huge privilege to be part of the Radio 4 and World Service families for more than two decades, but I hope now to have an opportunity to return to my first love: reporting from the field and getting mud on my boots.î

Robin has covered many major world events for the BBC including live programmes from Abuja, Amman, Baghdad, Berlin, Harare, Hong Kong, Islamabad, Istanbul, Johannesburg, Jerusalem, Kabul, Kosovo, Moscow, New York, Paris, Ramallah, Rome, Sarajevo, Shanghai, Tehran, Tokyo and

Washington. [but did he do them in alfabetical order?? Hi ñ gh]

He has also interviewed several major world leaders, including Nelson Mandela and Thabo Mbeki of South Africa, the former secretary-general of the United Nations, Kofi Annan, President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan, and the former British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Helen Boaden, Director of BBC News, said: ìOver the past two decades, Robin has made an invaluable contribution to BBC journalism, especially in foreign affairs. His rich voice, deep knowledge and genuine curiosity have ensured that he is greatly loved by Radio 4 and World Service listeners. Personally I will miss him, as Iím sure the listeners will too. I would like to thank him and wish him all the best for the future.î

Alistair Burnett, Editor of The World Tonight, said: ìRobinís sharp intellect and journalistic rigour has been key to building The World Tonightís reputation for in-depth analysis and making sense of whatís going on in the world for our listeners. He will be a very hard act to follow and will be missed, not only for his exemplary professionalism but also because he is a warm and considerate colleague.î

Lucy Walker, Editor of Daytime Programmes BBC World Service, said: ìRobinís understanding of key global stories and skilled interviewing has helped to establish Newshour as the flagship programme on the World Service and made Robin a household name across much of the United States. A generous colleague, he quietly nurtured and encouraged a generation of producers and presenters, and will be much missed by all at World Service and by listeners across the globe.î

http://radiotoday.co.uk/2012/09/robin-lustig-to-end-regular-radio-4-shows/ (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K. Re: BBC MW Local Radio - switch off trial --- The five-week local radio mediumwave "switch-off" trial affecting BBCs Radio Kent, Lincolnshire, Merseyside and Nottingham is scheduled to end on 24th September. According to an email I received from Radio Merseyside, they were told 1485 kHz would be switched back on between 9am and noon on Monday (24th). (Alan Pennington, Sept 22, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

BBC Returns to MW --- BBC Radio Lincolnshire noted back on air at 1243 UT 24/9. Relaying BBC R Humberside 1200-1400 local time. Bang goes 1370kHz for me. :-((Steve Whitt, UK, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

What happens next? Were there hundreds of complaints about the frequency been dead? Best wishes (Barry :-) Davies, (Carlisle UK, PERSEUS, 3.7m x 10m Flag + FLG100 amp), ibid.)

There are DXers outside of the UK, such as myself, who enjoy catching a UK local station. So for those DXers the return of the local BBC stations is good news. There's more to medium wave DXing than mere transatlantic DXing ;-) Met vriendelijke groeten / Kind regards, (- Herman - Boel, http://www.hermanboel.eu ibid.)

BBC Radio Kent 774 kHz confirmed back on the air when I checked just after 1100 UT. None of the others which were switched off are audible here in the daytime but I presume they are also back on the air this morning. 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham, Berks, Sept 24, BDXC UK yg via DXLD)

Radio Kent 1602 does not seem to be back. Normally here it is mixed with Desi Radio although it is possible to null out Desi. At the moment I get only Desi with no co channel interference. Regards, (Gareth. Sent using BlackBerryÆ from Orange, 1214 UT, ibid.)

Can hear BBC Radios Merseyside and Lincoln again, but can't hear Nottingham on 1584 kHz, only BBC H&W. 73's (Nick Rank, Buxton, 1345 UT Sept 24, ibid.)

BBC Distribution confirms that the Wallasey (Merseyside), Lincoln and Littlebourne (Kent) transmitters are back on but that Clipstone and Rusthall (Kent) remain off for "agreed maintenance" (Chris Greenway, 1359 UT, ibid.)

BBC R. Nottingham, 1584 kHz: Having not received them this afternoon (24/9) on 1584 kHz, I rang the switchboard number at the station. A YL told me there had not been a huge amount of reaction against MW being turned off and she didn't think 1584 kHz would be coming back on at all. 73's (Nick Rank, Buxton, 1411 UT, ibid.)

The BBC's Reception web site has now been updated to reflect the current situation:

"The BBC's five Week trial to switch off existing MW services at four local radio stations has now been completed. However it has been decided to extend the trial for Radio Nottingham [1584 khz] and for one of the two Radio Kent MW frequencies (1602 MW). This is because we want to assess the impact of a longer term switch off given the low number of response in these areas....." More details at http://www.bbc.co.uk/reception/mwtrial/
(Dave Kenny, 1833 UT, ibid.)

Just checked the Hawes transmitter on 936 kHz, there was dead air for a while at 1320 UT, but they have since returned. They have said that "AM broadcasting will cease at the weekend" after publicising their FM frequencies.

Skipton, 1413 kHz, is still // 97.2 MHz. I never have been able to hear the Settle/Giggleswick transmitter on 1431 kHz here, too low power, so not sure what's happening there, presume still on until the weekend. 73 (Nick Rank, Buxton, 1339 UT Sept 26, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Listening on 936 kHz today (26/9) at 1459 UT I heard Nick Babb, the afternoon presenter say that Stray FM are now on 107.1 in the centre of Skipton. I thought it must have been a slip of the tongue and he must have really meant 107.8.

But at 1550 UT on 936 kHz, after the local Dales adverts, came an announcement advising listeners on AM to re-tune to 107.8 in Craven, 107.1 in Ilkley and Otley and 107.1 in Skipton town centre. Also they advised again that AM broadcasts will cease at the weekend. Not sure if this announcement goes out over 97.2.

The commercial breaks on 97.2 and 936 are different, MW tend to be for Skipton and the Dales and 97.2 for Harrogate. 97.2 say "the station that loves Harrogate" and 936 says "the station that loves the Dales" before re-joining. 73's (Nick Rank, Buxton, 1618 UT, ibid.)

Had confirmation from Nick Hancock, Programme Controller, Stray FM, that all AM transmitters will be turned off this Sunday. Stray FM's frequencies will be (apart from 97.2 MHz):
107.8 MHz Craven
107.1 MHz Skipton Town centre
107.1 MHZ Pateley
107.1 MHz Ilkley/Otley
73's (Nick Rank, Buxton, ibid.)

** UNITED KINGDOM. 1548, Sept 21 at 0500 UT. News by YL, short jingle, then into "Jumpin' Jack Flash" by the Rolling Stones. Gold Radio (from Saffron Green) at early morning it's a gas, gas, gas. Recording: http://bit.ly/RMggTu (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 10000, Sept 21 at 2018, WWV propagation report (K = 2) had distorted, overmodulated audio, but the following timecheck was OK (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WWVB IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE MODULATION DELAYED

As reported in our last newsletter, WWVB had planned to add phase modulation to WWVB "on or about September 17, 2012." The start date has been delayed due to a frequency slip in their new Time Code

Generator ("TCG"), the device that creates the code for the WWVB signal. Until that issue is resolved, the addition of phase modulation is on hold (Private communication with John Lowe at WWVB, 09/20/12, CGC Communicator Sept 24 via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. Note re R. MartÌ operation at Saddlebunch, 12-38: Glenn, The prospective operation of the temporary antenna at Saddlebunch after the completion of the rebuild (originally 3 towers modified to 4) at Marathon was on 530 kHz, not 640 kHz. There was a complete analysis and redesign of the Saddlebunch facility done by the late Wilson LaFollette (of the Cohen & Dippell firm) but it was never implemented (Ben Dawson, visiting Reykjavik, Iceland, Sept 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. US Broadcaster to Cease Some Moscow Radio Service
´ VOA Breaking
http://blogs.voanews.com/breaking-news/2012/09/22/us-broadcaster-to-cease-some-moscow-radio-service/

U.S.-funded media outlet Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty says it will stop medium-wave radio broadcasting while continuing its online service later this year, to comply with a new Russian law.

Senior official Julia Ragona (Vice President of Content, Distribution, and Marketing) said Saturday that the organization is making the change November 10, when a new Russian law takes effect. The new law will ban radio broadcasting in Russia by companies that are more than 48 percent owned by foreign individuals or legal entities.

Ragona said RFE/RL is reducing its staff by a substantial amount and said those leaving are doing so by mutual agreement, with severance packages. She adds service plans to expand its online content and will continue broadcasting on shortwave radio.

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty operates under the authority of the U.S. Broadcasting Board of Governors, the independent federal agency responsible for all U.S. government and government sponsored, non-military, international broadcasting. Voice of America also operates under the BBG (via Kevin Redding, Sept 22, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. 1170, Sept 20 at 2116 UT. Radio Sawa from Dhabbaya overcasting Koper (which was broadcasting an Adele song) with talk in Arab. Recording: http://bit.ly/Q957tX (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 1530, Sept 20 at 2142 UT. Romania Actualitatsi being

unheard (probably "nulled" by my K9), VOA from S„o TomÈ, with the evening music program, popped up. Recording: http://bit.ly/QwzbNa

These logs were the result of a week spent in testing a K9AY. If you want to read the full story, with more details and considerations, simply go to my blog:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/ix1ckn/2012/09/my-first-five-k9ay-days/
Ciao everybody, (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 11905, Sept 20 at 0531, poor signal in uncertain language, sounds like ``Sede Washington``, stingers, also mentions Istanbul. HFCC shows VOA Kurdish via VATICAN at 05-06 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) VOA on new satellite to CHINA: q.v.

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1635: completed in time for first airing on 9955 WRMI, UT Thursday Sept 20 at 0330: totally blocked here by wall of noise jamming; tnx a lot, Arnie! Repeats are: Sat 0800, 1500, 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730, Mon 0500, 1130. Elsewhere:

Thu 2100 on WTWW 9479, your first and best chance
UT Fri 0330v on WWRB 5050 (we hope!)
UT Sat 0130v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB
UT Sat 0630 on HLR 7265
UT Sun 0400 on WTWW 5755
UT Tue 0930 on HLR 5980
Also WRN via SiriusXM 120, Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830
All webcast and via numerous webcast services, complete schedule:
http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html

WORLD OF RADIO 1635 monitoring: confirmed Thursday Sept 20 at 2100 on WTWW 9479: starts a few sex before hour, interrupted for canned ID, and resumes, excellent signal.

5050, WWRB: SC preacher amens slightly after 0330 UT Friday Sept 21, then dead air for the entire half-hour, instead of WOR; carrier with some hum even stayed on past 0406. My computer was off for Somaliland, so did not compare to webcast which may have been carrying WOR normally as has happened before, minus the SW. I have asked Dave Frantz to correct this continuing problem, my only chance to be heard on WWRB.

Next: UT Saturday 0130v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB
Saturday 0630 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265
Saturday 0800, 1500, 1730, Sunday 0800, 1530, 1730, Monday 0500, 1130 on WRMI 9955

UT Sunday 0400 on WTWW 5755
Also on WRN via SiriusXM 120, Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830

WORLD OF RADIO 1635 monitoring: confirmed on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB and webcast, UT Saturday Sept 22 at 0130. The last couple of weeks `Allan Weiner WorldWide` has been running right up until 0130 rather than filler material in between, closing with a prayer, asking to be forgiven for bad language, etc.

Next: UT Sunday 0400 on WTWW 5755.
And WRMI: Sunday 0800, 1530, 1730, Monday 0500, 1130
WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sun 0830, 1730
HLR 5980: Tue 0930

WORLD OF RADIO 1635 monitoring: confirmed on 5755, WTWW-1, UT Sunday Sept 23 at 0400 with usual interruption for canned Ted ID at the start. Excellent signal, and from next week to be moved aside, perhaps to 5745. Remaining repeats on WRMI 9955: Monday 0500, 1130 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Hello Glenn, I forward this e-mail just for your interest: Michael Kittner (Hamburger Lokalradio) received a reception report as well as two audio recordings of this morning's transmission of WOR via HLR on 7265 kHz from DXer Ihor in Lviv, Ukraine. Allbest, Thomas

-------- Original-Nachricht --------
Betreff: Audio reception report from Ukraine
Datum: Sat, 22 Sep 2012 09:53:11 +0300
Von: IHOR KARIVETS'

Hello again, My name is Ihor Karivets. I am a DXer and a SWL from Lviv, Ukraine. I am just listening your station that is transmitting program World of Radio. I decided to send you this reception report with some audio files. Here are some technical data of my reception:

Date 22 September 2012
Time/UTC 0635-0650
Frequency 7265 kHz
SINPO audio files
Program details: World of Radio px. is transmitting
I use Degen-1121 and Loop active antenna Degen-31MS.

Please confirm my reception report by QSL card. I would be very thankful for it. I am looking forward to hear from you! My warmest wishes from Lviv, Ihor (via Thomas V^lkner, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

Yup, that`s me on the clips, weak but fairly clear on 1 kW

transmission (gh, DXLD)

Hi Glenn, Yesterday [Sat Sept 22] there was an encore transmission of WOR on Hamburger Lokalradio (7265 kHz) at 1630 UT. While the morning transmission of WOR, Saturdays at 0630 is a regular slot, the programme line-up during the Saturday afternoon hours is not yet confirmed. Still, yesterday's WOR at 1630 was received by several DXers. I shall forward a couple of messages for your interest. Best (Thomas Vˆlkner, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Dear Michael: Once again I was tuned to the Hamburger Lokalradio today Sept 22 from 1539 to 1700 UT on 7265. The signal on USB was S9+ and reasonably well readable despite some adjacent channel interference. The CRI put their carrier on at approx. 1655 and their programming in English at 1658, while Glenn Hauser was still giving his World of Radio. (I have a recording of this if you wish). I was using the SK5SM remote receiving facility at Motala, Sweden. I tried a Dutch remote receiver at Culemberg, but it was actually weaker than the Motala receiver.

Programming: Portuguese and Africa music when tuning in at 1539 followed by a report in Portuguese, signed Manuel Oliveira, from DÌli, Eastern Timor (Timor Leste), dealing with problems of local school teachers. They are not receiving their salaries. This was a Deutsche Welle production. Similarly, at 1552-1558 there was a DW report in Spanish about German investigators trying to find new and more efficient treatment to diabetes.

At 1600, and for 30 minutes, Angela Elam of the University of Missouri, Kansas City, interviewing the Mexican-born write LuÌs Alberto Urrea. The interview, in the series called New Letters on the Air, dealt with several of Urrea's books, especially one called The Devil's Highway.

At 1630 Glenn Hauser's World of Radio, edition 1635, where, among other items, there was one related to Radio EducaciÛn signing off at 0500 on 6185 kHz, whereas on MW, 1060 kHz, they are relaying RFI.

At 1659 I believe I heard the postal address for the Hamburger Lokalradio given as c/o Lola, 2131 Hamburg. The transmission ended at 1700 with the slogan "Hamburg is besser" in various languages. Do I have to send you a report by mail in order to obtain your QSL-card??

Thanks again - all the best! Henrik Klemetz
(via Vˆlkner, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD) And:

Hallo! Am 22. September hˆrte ich die Sendung auf 7265 kHz wie folgt:

[MESZ = UT +2]
11.00-11.30 Interview mit dem B¸rgermeister von Steinhude
13.00-13.30 Radio Nostalgie
18.30-19.00 World of Radio [1630 UT]
Die ganze Zeit sehr gut zu hˆren oder SINPO 35434/3

In den fr¸hen Morgenstunden konnte ich die Sendung leider nicht hˆren. Ich freue mich sehr ¸ber diese Sendungen auf Kurzwelle. Gruss!
Christer Brunstrˆm (Sweden, via Vˆlkner, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

** U S A. 9479, Sept 20 at 1227, a byproduct of WTWW`s offset frequency is that the superstrong signal overloads receiver, and puts imaging 1-kHz hets on numerous weak signals, especially above 9700 for some reason. Switch on attenuation or detune FRG-7 preselector and they go away. Not to be confused with genuine 1 kHz transmitted spurs on 25m; see CHINA.

12105, Sept 21 at 2022, WTWW-3 is back on, Bible story in French with music. Very good signal as always in daytime. Also on Saturday Sept 22 at 1352 in Russian.

5745, Sept 26 at 0508 check, WTWW-1 on new frequency required by FCC after US government (MARS?) claimed rights to 5755; as promised to start at 0100 this date, with SFAW. Remains to be heard what happen in B-12 when R. MartÌ plans to reactivate 5745 starting at 1100, and Cuban jamming could well extend beyond its hours. WTWW would normally stay on night frequency another two or three hours during the RM broadcast. So 5745 is the NF for WORLD OF RADIO, UT Sundays at 0400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5050, Sept 20 at 0300 check, WWRB is off the air. Hope they are back on and modulating 24 hours later for WOR at 0330v UT Friday. [See above] 5050, Sept 23 at 0350, no signal from WWRB, nominally on until 0400 nightly (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 9330-CUSB, Sept 20 at 0534, WBCQ with open carrier/dead air instead of Radio 211/Good Friends Radio Network. Next check at 1223 it`s modulating again.

9330-CUSB, Sept 22 at 1316, poor signal, dead air from WBCQ vs much stronger 9335, V. of Korea English but it has heavy CCI from RFA Burmese via Tinian; and also R. Pyongyang on other side 9325, weaker in Korean. WBCQ is voluntarily squeezed between North and North Korea.

9330-CUSB, Sept 23 at 0535, WBCQ, tune in to strange tones cutting on and off, ``God has his own string sexion``, citing Psalm 48:7 in relation to pulsars(??); anachronism! Internet buffering interrupts this silly sermon from Radio 211/GFRN every few sex, encouraging me to

move on apace.

9330-CUSB, Sept 24 at 0512, dead air/open carrier from WBCQ again. Note: I would be happy never to report this again, but whenever any such anomalies are encountered, I must make note of them, as I do from any other stations (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9955, 0300, 24-09-2012, ìHistorias de radioî, in Spanish, hosted by Daniel Camporini. This time talking about Argentine journalist Jorge Ricardo Mazeti. Very interesting! There was not a lot of interference from Cuban jamming. Good! (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WRMI

** U S A. 7507, WRNO Worldwide New Orleans, LA, back on the air, 0115 Sunday, very good signal. Playing mostly secular contemporary music. Modulation a little bit muffled (Tom Nyberg, Sumner, Iowa, UT Sept 23, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRNO Worldwide at 0122 UT in English with muffled audio but strong signal on 7505v with secular rock music, presumed band possibly Audio A, etc. A good sign they are back. They do need to fix the mod and clean up the audio a little more. UT Sunday September 23, 2012, received here in Tennessee. 73's, (Noble West, Clinton TN, NSW Music And Media, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes indeed WRNO worldwide is back. Signal is a little weak but can hear Dr. Mawire preaching a little bit. I can hear the carrier but the carrier is stronger than the audio signal. But if I can hold the radio up a little bit I can hear the signal a little better at my QTH. What ever was ailing them is now fixed (Richard Lewis, Forest, MS, Kaito KA-1103, 0154 UT Sept 23, ibid.)

Lots of trouble there at WRNO. 30 minutes ago, the audio was quite strong. Rechecking at 0210, it's like an OC, but I can hear audio very weakly underneath. Measured about 7506.431 on the Perseus. Not good, for sure (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

7506.4, Sept 23 at 0250, WRNO has been reactivated at last following Hurricane Isaac almost a month ago: huge S9+22 signal, but suppressed modulation in sermon(?) about baseball; 0331 check, dead air. Clearly, there have been no improvements to the previous situation, and the frequency remains precisely where it was before, far out of FCC-allowed tolerance beyond 7505.00. It`s safe to report it as that, not 7505, not 7506 and not 7507. Tnx to Tom Nyberg, Sumner, Iowa, first to tip at 0115 on the dxldyg about the comeback.

7506.4, Sept 25 at 0338 check, WRNO has VG signal strength but very distorted, and modulation level suppressed. I can`t think of a better

time to do this than during the rap music they were playing; except their modulation is never normal. At this time, I can`t imagine anyone voluntarily listening to such a mess, even if they love rap and Jesus. Any rational station would not continue to transmit under such circumstances.

7506.4, Sept 26 at 0331 check, WRNO bigsig is on but with usual suppressed, distorted modulation during gospel huxter (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15550, Sept 18 at 2201 UT. My first reception ever of WJHR (in Upper side band). Not the best one possible (as Mont Blanc, with its 4810 meters, is on my path to the west), but still decent. Preacher, into instrumental music shortly after. Sign off announcement (including an e-mail address) by OM. Recording: http://bit.ly/R9tDec (Chris Diemoz, Position: the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Equipment: Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15550 SSB, 2010, 23-09-2012, man preaching about his personal life in Jes˙s Christ. He didnít stop talking for more than an hour, and there was not any ID to know at least which was the name of the program. As I had to do something else, I could not wait for this to end to know what could it be. What I wonder is why they were operating on the SSB mode. No idea, otherwise good reception (Leonardo Santiago, CDXA, YB80+KA33, MÈrida, Venezuela, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Your 15550-USB is WJHR in Florida. It`s a cheap way to get on the air as a SWBC station, actually a souped-up ham station. It can`t be running the legal minimum of 50 kW, but some loophole allowed them to get licensed by the FCC (gh, DXLD)

Hi Glenn! Thanks for the explanation about my 15550-USB log. I know USB is cheaper than AM. I think itís the reason why many pirate enthusiasts operate in this mode because they are not high budget stations. But in the case of WJHR, I think they have not thought about what kind of audience they have in that way. I mean, itís very difficult to find a USB receiver in these countries (Guyana, Surinam, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, etc.). In fact, my YB80 was given to me by Deustche Welle because I could not buy one of them during the last ten years. Well, I guess it`s because I think they want to reach those areas of the world if they only have 50 kW or less. Anyway, I will try to QSL it as soon as possible (Leonardo Santiago, Sept 26, ibid.)

** U S A. Glenn, I paid a visit to Newport NC last week to see what was going on at WTJC. Well, the transmitters are now scrap. The GE rig that was on 9370 is gone and all that`s left of it is piles of scrap

metal on pallets waiting for the crap yard. The same goes for the working (not anymore) 317C2 Continental rig that they were using on the other frequency (I don`t recall what it was [5920 WBOH]). They had pallets piled with transformers and had cut up transmission line and were smashing vac caps for scrap. It`s really amazing a sawzall can go through a transmitter that quickly! Though it may be hard to believe, but I really understood their position in disposing of the facility. Anyway WTJC lives no more. Unless you believe in the reserection of all things. 73 (Glenn W7GS/4 Swiderski, Sept 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9825, Sept 23 at 0425, no signal from WHRI; and come to think of it, not noted earlier in the semihour as I was tuning around. This had been the one reliable SW time for `DXing with Cumbre`; now what? It`s still on the WHR online schedule for 0400 UT Sundays, but evidently converted to an imaginary airing like (almost?) all the rest (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Red Lion Broadcasting sells WGCB --- Caught this on DCRTV, Red Lion Broadcasting has sold their TV station. Wonder if there's any implication for their shortwave outlet WINB? The company at one point also owned AM and FM stations, both sold.
http://www.tvnewscheck.com/article/62316/nrj-tv-snags-wgcb-harrisburg-for-9m
(Travers, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

NRJ TV Snags WGCB Harrisburg For $9M --- The spectrum speculator has bought six other stations with the intention of selling the spectrum to wireless carriers through the FCC's planned "incentive auction."

By Harry A. Jessell, TVNewsCheck, September 20, 2012 10:28 AM EDT

Spectrum speculator NRJ TV has purchased WGCB Harrisburg-Lancaster-Lebanon-York, Pa., from Red Lion Television for $9 million, according to an FCC filing seeking approval of the deal.

NRJ, headed by Ted Bartley, has been buying TV stations in or near major markets in hopes of flipping them at a profit in the FCC's planned "incentive auction" of TV spectrum. Hoping to shift spectrum from TV to wireless broadband, the FCC plans to set up a method by which broadcasters can voluntarily auction their spectrum and split the proceeds with the government.

So far, NRJ has accumulated six other stations: KCNS San Francisco, WMFP Boston, WZME New York, WTVE Philadelphia, KIKU Honolulu and KSCI Los Angeles. WGCB is an independent stations that offers of mix of classic TV shows and religion. It carries Me-TV on a subchannel.

Red Lion is owned Anna L. Plourde-Norris, president (40%), and the estate of John H. Norris (60%) (via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. 15260, Sept 26 around 1930 as I was about to doze off for a nap compensating for staying up too late/getting up too early, I stop on an unknown 19mb frequency for some nice background music, with flutter. Awakening just before 2000, I find it is 15260, as AWR Arabic is signing off, spelling out a website with English/Roman letters, and off at 2000*. HFCC shows 19-20, 100 kW, 215 degrees from Nauen, GERMANY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. THIS IS BOSTON CALLING | PRI's The World

This is interesting -- well, to me anyway -- It's a new program produced by the same folks as "The World", and looks at how America views the world; however, it's for a global BBC audience, not a domestic USA audience.
http://www.theworld.org/2012/09/this-is-boston-calling/
and
http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00y7fqz
(Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA, Sept 21, internetradio yg via DXLD)

Thanks for that. I noticed it appeared in the schedule last week (I get an alert when a new programme title appears). Here is the BBC World Service programme link - which has no hint of the history. I think the first airing (on BBC) is today.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00y7fqz
(Paul Webster, ibid.)

TAUNTING WBAI CALLERS IDENTIFY THEMSELVES
- NYTimes.com September 17, 2012, 3:22 pm
Masks Come Off for 2 Callers Who Gave WBAI Grief -- By COREY KILGANNON

For decades, the liberal talk radio station WBAI has been hounded by a couple of conservatives calling in to taunt program hosts about their left-leaning politics and telling them in their thick Brooklyn accents to - and this was their stock phrase -- "Go back to Cuba, you commies."

They have called thousands of times, maddening some hosts, including "Grandpa" Al Lewis, the activist and actor who played Grandpa on "The Munsters" television series.

Mr. Lewis named these callers "The Cuba Boys," but the usual alias they used was Johnny from Greenpoint. All anyone really knew about the callers was that they were working class New Yorkers who knew the station thoroughly, and that they also sent hundreds of postcards over the years from various states and foreign countries, including Cuba.

"They have literally changed programming practices at WBAI over the

years," said John McDonagh, 58, who for 30 years has run Radio Free Eireann, an Irish-American talk show at the station, and was perhaps the favorite target of the Cuba Boys. "We have hosts here who stopped taking calls altogether, because of them."

The mystery ended on Saturday afternoon, as the Cuba Boys - two retired New York City fire lieutenants, Girard Owens, 59, and John Sexton, 58 - finally visited WBAI-FM (99.5), to be interviewed on the air by Mr. McDonagh, a New York City cabdriver from Middle Village, Queens. . .
http://cityroom.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/09/17/cuba-boys-radio-callers-who-taunted-wbai-come-forward/?pagewanted=print
(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** U S A. 17368-USB, approx., synthetic female voice haltingly repeating sad notice about a sailboat, callsign unknown, missing in French Polynesia since July; ID as WLO & KLB, ``standing by for calls, end of broadcast`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. KROD ESPN 600-AM TO BE OFF THE AIR WHILE RE-CERTIFYING FCC LICENSE --- Times staff reports Posted: 09/26/2012 08:25:43 AM MDT
http://www.elpasotimes.com/newupdated/ci_21631177/krod-espn-600-am-be-off-air-while

KROD ESPN 600-AM will be off the air from 7 to 10 a.m. Wednesday. Radio stations officials said it will be for FCC license re-certification. Information: 915-880-5763 (via Blaine Thompson, IN, ABDX via DXLD)

Off the air for FCC license re-certification? Whaaaaaaat? (Blaine Thompson, ibid.)

I've seen and heard of some crazy things in radio, but this one is a real dilly. This is so goofy, it makes me think to remind everybody that in another month you will need to put winter air in your tires. 73, (Kit W5KAT, CO, ibid.)

Maybe they are re-certifying the night directional pattern. Earlier this year they replaced the tower guys and they put the insulators in the wrong position screwing up the directional pattern. 73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ, ibid.)

I suppose that is possible, but "re-certifying the license" makes it sound like an administrative action, rather than an engineering action. 73, (Kit W5KAT, ibid.)

** U S A. 770, Sept 24 at 1149 UT, well before sunrise, weather and temps around New Mexico on ``770 KKOB``. Weak but steady signal,

presumably 230-watt non-direxional relay in Santa Fe (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 840, Sept 21 at 1204 UT, network news I figure is KXNT NV again, but no, it`s ABC, not CBS, about that GMA TV gal who is getting a bone marrow transplant from her sister, 1205 into local news from KTIC in West Point NE. Similar weak and steady signal with frequency to itself (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 850, Wed Sept 26 at 1232 UT, Spanish prayer with English accent, then cantor in Catholic mass. Must be the frequency hijacked from Anadarko OK to become KJON, COL Carrollton TX, address in Dallas, of the Guadalupe Radio Network, i.e. Mexi-Catholic. Program schedule http://grnonline.info/images/stories/SpanishKJONSchedule2012.pdf shows ``Santa Misa desde la Capilla de Nuestra SeÒora de Los ¡ngeles (en vivo)`` Mon-Sat 7-8 am [CT], and a different live mass for a sesquihour on Sundays. Also displays logo of EWTN as an affiliate, and could well be // WEWN on SW, unchecked. Meanwhile, no sign of KOA which should not have faded out just yet (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) {wonder if related to 880 KJOZ below}

** U S A. [Re 12-38:] Coverage of the US by single stations --- In my experience WWL New Orleans (one of only two of the old "unduplicated class I-A" clear channel stations with a DA pointing inland - the other being WBZ).

I could receive it on a crystal set when I was a young teenager in the early 1950s in the Willamette Valley in Oregon. And when I went to college, it came in just fine on the Zenith Transoceanic one of the guys upstairs from me in Grays Hall just off Harvard Square had. I constructed an antenna for him so he could get Harry Carey's play by play of the St. Louis baseball team, as he was from there, but in tuning across the band found WWL audible just above WHDH 850.

But that was long before the clear channel duplications although they never were really unduplicated post WW-II. Even WLW's 700 was duplicated, in Simutaq, Greenland, and all the others were somewhere in N. America or the Caribbean (Ben Dawson, Iceland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 880, Sept 20 at 1142 UT, ranchera music making slow SAH with KRVN NE, but generally atop it, and also QRM de KLRG AR. KRVN unavoidable, this loops SSE so if it`s Mexican it has to be from the Yucat·n peninsula, unlikely. 1147 OM DJ with catch-phrase ``la que llegÛ para quedarse`` and phone number, for requests? 1150 outro to a ``corridito``, ID as Radio Aleluya, plugging church services with schedules, one on Calle Pasadena; several 713-AC phone numbers, mentions TV canal 30.1, catch-slogan again. Somewhat overmodulated and

distorted. It`s KJOZ Conroe TX (rimshooting Houston), as in NRC AM Log with Spanish religion, address in Pasadena TX, 10/1 kW but sounds like day power already (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 880, Sept 24 at 1153 UT, series of three program promos on the Tan Talk Radio Network, i.e. KLRG Sheridan (Little Rock) AR, relaying WTAN 1340 in Clearwater, Florida. Website http://www.tantalk1340.com/
conveniently displays the extent of this network at pagetop: ``WTAN-AM 1340 WDCF-AM 1350 WZHR-AM 1400 KLRG-AM 880 TAN TALK RADIO NETWORK``. i.e. two other little Florida stations and this big one way off in Arkansas, why? Beware, site autolaunches audio QRMing whatever one is already listening to, how rude; and disregard the encoding openly visible at pagebottom (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The (local) Wagenvoord's own all three stations, with WDCF and WZHR being semi locals for me, and often parallel, and often brokered programming. No surprise for me that they are selling as much as they can packaged on all, or for that matter cheaply simulcasting audio on all where needed. Yes, I hate auto-launching audio (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, DXLI STENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 890, TEXAS, KVOZ, Del Mar Hills. 1058 September 21, 2012. Long list (in English, male voice) of K-calls and FM frequencies, four if not more (translators?) then canned Spanish ìla Cadena Cristianaî slogan. No FM simulcasts listed in the 2012 NRC AM Log and seemingly no real web presence (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Re 930: Glenn, Easier to research in the AM Radio Log: when you see //The Voice, that means that it is Grouped with 3 or more stations. Head to page xiv and look at the groups; you'll find the //The Voice includes KVOI-1030, KAPR-930 and KJAA-1240. Hope this helps. 73 (Wayne Heinen, NRC AM Log editor, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1010, Sept 26 at 1227 UT, bigsig from preacher in Spanish, no doubt KXXT Tolleson AZ (Phoenix), as previously IDed. He`s explaining that ``barbero`` means brownnose, not barber, which is peluquero. OK. He`s still going past 1235, tho by 1237 I am getting more from MO & UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

** U S A. 1010, Sept 26 at 1237 UT, sermon in English begins to take over from Spanish de Arizona. This loops NW/SE so it`s not KXEN but KIHU in Tooele (Salt Lake City) UT; but by 1242 KXEN from the NE, St. Louis MO ex-Festus is dominating, closing a quarter-hour huxter in

English, then 314-AC phonumber ad for a Christian bookstore (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1020, Sept 23 at 1201 UT, banda music, late ID for ``KMMQ, Omaha-Lincoln, La Nueva``, with the call letters only pronounced in English, altho not required. Making slow SAH with semi-local KOKP Perry OK, nulled. Their official sunrise to 50 kW daypower was 1200, but in October: 1230 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Paul B. Walker replies that English-only legal IDs *are* required; I was thinking this came up before as an urban legend (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 1030, Sept 21 at 0533 UT, ``Newstalk 1030, KFAY`` promo Bill Cunningham Sunday nights, i.e. Farmington [sic] AR, 1 kW at night, vs. something with gospel music, probably 500-watt KCWJ up in Blue Springs MO (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1040, Sept 24 at 1157 UT, WHO Des Moines IA catches my ear because they are promoting an upcoming broadcast Friday morning from 500 feet underground at a Martin-Marietta limestone ``mine`` near Ames; no photography or <10-year-olds allowed down there, but y`all come to see the displays on the surface. Gates open at 4:30 am. Sounds like fun! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, Sept 21 at 1211 UT, jingle and Spanish ID as KIJN, fast SAH with something. This is the 3-watter in Farwell TX, Panhandle on the NM border, but 10 kW day power should not start until 1230 UT official September FCC sunrise (and 1300 in October). FCC AM Query shows it as a strict daytimer, no night authorization at all, but NRC AM Log also shows a 3-watt pre-sunrise authorization. This is too weak for 10 kW and too strong for 3 watts! Pattern is almost non-direxional with a slight bulge to the NW. IJN obviously derives from ``In Jesus` Name``, (amen!) but I am at a loss for what it could mean on this solely-Spanish station. Ideas? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1180, Sept 23 at 0459 UT, a signal not suffering from KFAQ 1170 IBOC, so was it off or just in a fade? Stayed with it, hoping for WHAM, but after ads for cupcakes and Ronzo(?) restaurants, ``Sports radio in Omaha, 1180, Zone 2, The Deuce, KZOT, Omaha-Council Bluffs``, into a Yahoo Sports Minute. I guess KZOT stands for Zone Two; what does that allude to? Last I noticed, this was KOIL. FCC Call Sign History shows:

KZOT	06/04/2012
KOIL	01/01/2009
KYDZ	04/22/2003
KOIL	08/24/1993
KKAR	01/22/1987
KNPE	08/15/1984

So where is the KOIL call now? Back to 1290; make up your mind?
KOIL 06/04/2012
KKAR 08/24/1993
DKOIL 08/24/1993
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1350, Sept 21 at 1214 UT, Spanish sports news about Julio CÈsar Ch·vez, a boxer alleged to have smoked marihuana before his latest fight in Nevada, mentions UnivisiÛn AmÈrica in passing. So sports talk in Spanish isn`t necessarily from ESPN Deportes. Instead of a complete affiliate list, the Emisoras drop-down at
http://univisionamerica.univision.com/
leads only to nine major-market stations, including San Antonio 1350.

This is surely KCOR San Antonio, 5/5 kW, a legacy station allowed to keep day power at night as long as it shoots most of its signal into the Gulf, vs non-direxional daytime. Official LSR was 1200 UT, to be 1215 in October. No doubt the call originally alluded to corazÛn, deep in the heart of Texas.

After battling a sports-talker en inglÈs at 1217, back up at 1218 with Spanish ad for 99-Cent Stores. I see there are several in San Antonio, undercutting Family Dollar? No, belong to F.D. itself; they know how to market! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1530, Sept 21 at 1220 UT, YL with school lunch menus including Phillipsburg, how local! Some SS sports QRM probably Tulsa at right angle; then ads for Norton, i.e. KQNK Norton KS, ``Your hometown station`` per NRC AM Log. It`s in N Central KS, next to NE
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1560, Sept 24 at 1201 UT, rare Star Spangled Banner is playing, sounds like a `live` recording from some event, seguÈ to John Wayne (?) reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Are these daily rituals? Bigsig as suspected is just KGOW in Bellaire (Houston) TX, as on into sports talk with 713-AC phone.

At 46/15 kW, The Game is often reported from deep South America. 9-tower night pattern has one huge lobe at 146 degrees:
http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/1325314-108410.pdf

Only 6 towers employed on day pattern, but it is currently Not Found:
http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/1486999-117530.pdf
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1660, Sept 21 at 1224 UT, super-hype voice actor (SHVA)

exclaiming ``m·s m˙sica``, during which of course, there is less music than if he would just shut up. There he goes again, after the next tune. Also IDs merely as 16-60 AM, which we already know. Loops NW/SE so no doubt KXOL Brigham City UT (for Mitt`s extended Mexican family??). Soon overcome by English ESPN which would be KRZI Waco, with KUDL Kansas City somewhere below them (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1670, WPLA, Jacksonville FL with advertising block 0631 30/8, later talkback and a promo for Fox Sports News. Dominant past 0715 this day (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

?? Fine catch, but it`s in Dry Branch, central Georgia, address in Macon (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. Doug, now I've got WSMV-DT 10 in well. And there's still enough power at 3 kW (??) to receive WTVF on RF ch. 5. No chance for WTVF on RF ch. 25 with 1000 kW WRTV at 5 miles (Steve Rich, Indianapolis, Sept 22, WTFDA via DXLD) Nashville TN stations

I think WTVF is indeed still at 3 kW on RF-5. They've filed for STA to run it back up to 22 kW. That said, they operated RF-50 at 100 kW under a STA whose approval never made the CDBS. STAs are handled pretty informally (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, ibid.)

** URUGUAY. 6045, 0541, Radio SarandÌ back after short absence, now LSB mode on 6044.95. Mainly Spanish talk format 17/8. Also noted 29/8 at 0844. Signal always weak (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), New Zealand, with AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD) And now? (gh)

** UZBEKISTAN. September 15, 2012: 1911-1915 UT, 4663-USB, Tashkent Volmet in English. Weather in the cities of Samarkand, Bukhara, Navoi, etc., 45444 (Dmitry Puzanov, Kazakhstan, QTH: Almaty - 43 15'N, 76 57'E, RX: Sangean ATS-909X, Degen DE1103, AN: the frame with a perimeter AC 16 meters, Degen DE31MS / ìopen_dxî via RusDX 23 Sept via DXLD)

** UZBEKISTAN. 11850, Vatican Radio, 1549 Sept 25, tuning past this frequency, heard VR interval signal until 1550. This would have been English broadcast sked 1530-1550. Good (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening from my car, parked overlooking Kalamalka Lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UZBEKISTAN [non]. 21590, Sept 25 at 1310, CNR1 jammer in Chinese talk, atop also audible BBC Uzbek via CYPRUS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA

** VATICAN. 17590, Sept 20 at 1239, poor signal in Chinese, but sounds like a dialect other than Putonghua. Yet listed only as Vatican Radio direct at 1225-1315, which is supposedly only in Mandarin. Maybe it`s ``church Chinese`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN [non]. 9900, Sept 22 at 1312 open carrier with hum, whine, S9+19; 1313 VR IS starts, undermodulated. Not clear which site(s) I am hearing as Chinese via Irkutsk is to be followed by Vietnamese via Tinang at 1315. VR is notorious for running IS after broadcasts if not before. Also had a 1-kHz het on it, more receiver overload from WTWW 9479 removed by attenuating (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also UZBEKISTAN

** VIETNAM. 5975 & 9635 tentative, Voice of Vietnam, Home Service 1, Hanoi-Son Tay, 1404 Sept 24, Vietnamese presumed, man and woman with news, 1407 music bridge and into a possible commentary. Both poor.

6020 tentative, Voice of Vietnam, Home Service 4, Buon Me Thuot, 1516 Sept 24, Asian language and music, male and female speakers, song, 1528:40 music bridge, announcements by man, then woman, carrier off 1529:30. 15341, Very poor and fading out. DSWCI Domestic Broadcasting Survey lists VOV here with various local languages to 1530 s/off. Will keep an ear on this as the Autumn season progresses. Very poor (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening at local dawn from my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12019.25, V. of Vietnam, 2313 talk by 2 men announcers, then W briefly, and back to men. Certainly sounded like Indonesian at 2322. Getting better in the next 5 minutes. Deadair at 2327. 2330 usual fanfare and English ID by W and M. Into English language programs. (22 Sept.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** VIETNAM [and non]. Hello DXers, While checking RFA's transmission on 12075 at 1410 UT I noticed a strange type of jamming, sounds like ambulance siren! Any ideas where is that coming from? All the best (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, Sent from my iPad, Sept 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tarek, That`s typical of Vietnam, and this is a Vietnamese hour of RFA (via Sri Lanka). Also used against some religious broadcasters such as FEBC [also in minority languages] (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

FYI dear Tarek: TAIWAN/SAIPAN/VIETNAM, VIETNAM's HOWL BUOY type JAMMING.

11604.850, Radio Taiwan International in Cantonese via Tainan site, Hakka to 1530-1557 UT Sept 19. S=9 in Germany, and jammed by China mainland too.

11604.854, RFA Vietnamese language service via Tanshui site, Web ID at 1427 UT, underneath Vietnamese govt warbling siren type of jamming, HIT HEAVILY by Vietnamese jamming station HOWL BUOY type co-channel.

13640, Same HOWL BUOY type jamming noted at 14-15 UT against 13640 RFA Vietnamese on Saipan-MRA relay.

The swing was soon jamming is 12 kHz wide. They interfere also broadcasts from FEBC Manila in Vietnamese-Lao hilltribes languages, to prevent the U.S. Protestant missionary campaign.

Same HOWL BUOY type jamming noted at 2330-0030 UT on Sept 21/22 when RFA Vietnamese hit by Vietnam on 13730.027 kHz from Saipan-MRA, jammer was odd 13730.300 kHz centered. At same time also RFA Vietnamese 11605 kHz outlet from Tanshui-TWN was jammed, but not YFR Vietnamese on 11629.964 kHz via Paochung-TWN site (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 18/21-22, ibid.)

Wolfy, you come up with some colorful expressions whose meaning is unclear in English, such as Howl Buoy. What do you say in German? (gh, DXLD)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. ALGERIA. 1550, Sept 19 at 2319 UT. R. Nacional de la RASD making it to Europe, despite closer stations on 1548. OM in Arab between short music breaks. Recording:
http://bit.ly/SlJSqL
(Chris Diemoz, the hills of Aosta (north-western Italy) ñ
http://goo.gl/maps/zbZYt Icom R71 + K9AY ("testing configuration", with only West-East lobe set), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. [Re RTZ address, 12-38]: Sorry, we were unable to deliver your message to the following address.
<karumehouse@tvz.co.tv>
Mail server for "tvz.co.tv" unreachable for too long
(via Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, condiglista yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. TA carrier search Sept 25 at 0539, stepping up on the DX-398 at 9 kHz intervals, USB mode slightly detuned to detect same carrier pitches: 549, 558, 693, 936, 1116, 1125, 1197, 1206, 1215. Strongest one was 1206, but when I got back to it, not enough for audio. Then tuning up in LSB mode at 0544: only one audible is 1053.

No doubt much better earlier before Euro sunrising (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific carrier search Sept 26 at 1156-1200 UT found some: 594, 747, 828, 1044. 747 was briefly strongest; nothing on 738 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 730, Sept 26 at 1213 UT, open carrier with hum again, looping WSW/ENE, but it`s not XEHB in Chihuahua, as 107.1 / 730 Ke Buena was mixing with it at 1215 and gaining ascendancy. So, a domestic about to sign on at 1215 LSR? The closest ones in those direxions would be KWRE in Missouri and KDAZ in NM, but both should already be on the air, night or day (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 800, Sept 20 at 1207 UT, unreadable ``Donald Duck`` distorted modulation can be heard mixing with KQCV OKC and XEROK CiJz. Best DF I can get on it is SSW/NNE. Presumed Mexican which has been this way for months, altho I can`t even recognize it as Spanish. Based on direxion and proximity, the two most likely culprits are per Cant˙:
800 XEZR La Traviesa Zaragoza, Coah. 2,000 2,000
800 XEDD La Tremenda Montemorelos, N.L. 10,000 2,500
As I say every time I hear this, without response, someone in south Texas should be able to pinpoint this mess by groundwave in daytime. Note that there is only one Texan on 800 even in the daytime, KDDD way up in the NW corner at Dumas, which is now Spanish, the Ding-Dong Daddy; how would that translate? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 830, Sept 20 at 1123 UT I make out one word vs WCCO QRM, ``Consentida``. Since that is often a station name or nickname I hope to find a Mexican in the lists, but not in IRCA, Cant˙ or WRTH. (WCCO has Charles Osgood endorsing stamps.com; come on!) Searching on ``la consentida 830`` leads to one old blog post from 2005y referring to that as in Mexico City. Now the M.C. station on 830 is XEITF, Radio Capital. Too flimsy a connexion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A wild guess on your 830: 830 -- WFNO, Norco (Metarie-New Orleans suburbs), LA. Claims to be Spanish?? Pattern doesn't look too great on Radio Locator, but stranger things have happened. Pretty effectively blocked here by blowtorch WBAP 820, sandwiched on the other side by KJON 850 here in Carrollton. The 800s are a train wreck here, depending on location (820, 850, 870, 890). Dallas is probably too far north to help much with 800, as XEROK is kind of solid here, and then there's WBAP (David R. Block, ptsw yg via DXLD)

Shux, in this case I didn`t even think of a US station. NRC AM Log

does show WFNO 24 hours, 750 watts at night, ``La Raza 830 AM`` (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 930, Sept 24 at 1219 UT around local sunrise here, I get a touchy tight null on groundwave from WKY OKC, to hear another station in Spanish. With WKY minimized, it`s still a battle to pull out this weak signal with Mexican music, but differentiable (this word is not redlined by MSWord), from WKY as long as La Indomable is yakking. 1221 a singing ID, ``Radio ---`` something; losing by 1229. Cant˙ shows not a single Mexican in the NW part of the country, (but IRCA has XERLA in Santa RosalÌa BCS, 1 kW daytimer, but Cant˙ has it on 940, as does WRTH 2012 with 10/1 kW.)

So how about US SS stations on 930, from central to west? In NRC AM Log 2012-2013, the only possibility is KHJ Los ¡ngeles, which OMG, is now ``La Ranchera``. Night pattern is a tangent circle to the SSE, with a little blob opposite, but side null is further north than Enid, so we should get some signal about like this from 5 kW. No sign of KAPR in Douglas AZ as recently heard on SRS, not Spanish.

930, Sept 26 at 1217 UT, weak music, maybe ranchera, in null of WKY OKC while it was yakking, making SAH of approx. 5 Hz. 1229 barely heard I think a partial timecheck, ``son las cinco ---``, but still need definite ID of KHJ Los ¡ngeles, Alta California (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1279, Sept 21 at 0537 UT, once again for third time a weak off-frequency carrier making a 1-kHz het with 1280 stations. Loops NE/SW. I`ve yet to see any other reports of this. Based solely on approx. direxion, proximity, some possibilities:

WBIG Aurora IL
WGBF Evansville IN
KCOB Newton IA
WFYC Alma MI
WWTC Minneapolis MN
KDKD Clinton MO
KYRO Troy MO
WONW Defiance OH
KSLI Abilene TX
KMFR Pearsall TX
WGLR Lancaster WI
WNAM Neenah-Menasha WI
CFMB Montreal QC [far, but 50 kW]
XEBQ Chihuahua Chih

{anyhow, it can`t be a Cuban} If not at night when I hear this, people within daytime range could check these out. Of course it could also be one of those top-secret US government tests. It`s not my semi-local

KSOK Ark City KS, confirmed at 1525 UT Sept 21 as on-frequency (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It's not WBIG so you can scratch them off your list. Checked them at 1400 CDT and they are on frequency (Tom Jasinski, Joliet, IL, Sept 21, IRCA via DXLD)

No trace of a carrier or anything on 1279 here in St. Louis Missouri where all I have IDed in tonight's High School Football frenzy is WBIG Aurora Illinois already known to be on 1280.

Add WWTC to your list of stations that it isn't, just got an ID from them at 0230 UT behaving nicely on 1280. Sincerely, (Earl Higgins, RX-321 and 15 m end fed wire thing outside St. Louis, Missouri, USA (W 90.32 N 38.65), UT Sept 22, mwdx yg via DXLD)

The off-frequency station is neither WNAM 1280 out of Wisconsin nor WFYC. They are both daytimers here and both nicely on frequency (Scott, NM8R, IRCA via DXLD)

Scanning my Perseus SSS recording from UT Sep. 21st, 2012 at 0200 UT, I see no 1 kHz offset carrier on 1280. WNAM is spot-on (Tim Tromp, West Michigan, IRCA via DXLD)

I looked around 0500 UT here on the west coast and nothing noted as well (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, IRCA via DXLD)

Nothing here on 1279 at 0531 UT Sept 22 (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf QC, IRCA via DXLD)

No trace of anything on 1279 has ever been noted on any antenna or any Perseus recording. 73 KAZ 35 miles NW of Chicago Sept 22 irca

1279, Sept 22 at 0459 UT, no 1-kHz-off-frequency carrier audible tonight, nor heard by several others in diverse parts of North America, looking for it following my last report. Also several confirmations that some of the possibilities I mentioned from local daytime range are not off frequency, I will compile later, but meanwhile please keep checking day and night.

While the last three times I heard it, I was sure it was a carrier on 1279 kHz only, tonight I am just as sure that it`s also on 1281, i.e. instead of an off-frequency station, someone on-frequency with a 1 kHz tone, 0520+ UT Tuesday Sept 25. (So unlikely to be findable in the daytime, but tnx to those who checked). It`s still looping NE/SW of here, pretty weak. It has not been there every night. Hope someone can locate it. 73, (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, on several DX lists, especially MW, and DX LISTENING DIGEST) No replies seen yet

UNIDENTIFIED. 1650, Sept 24 at 1204 UT, romantic music in Spanish, ``la m˙sica contin˙a sin comerciales, en MarÌa(??)``. Not at all sure of that name, probably wrong. Seems to be from east-west, but I also need to null local KFXY 1640 which is SSE, so that may be skewed. Could be KSVE El Paso TX, NRC AM Log listed with rom·ntica format; or maybe KXOL Brigham City UT, not the other two US SS stations which are religious. Could DXer Vance in El Paso confirm activity status of KSVE?

However, it`s hard to imagine such stations announcing proudly as non-commercial. New XEARZ in Mexico City has been doing just that, per reports. As in non-profit, per Cant˙: ``1650 XEARZ Zer Radio 5,000 watts. Permisionada (sin fines de lucro) pero parte de Grupo Zer``

Still no definite logs of that known from north of the border, altho Bryan Clark has heard it (very) south of the border, in New Zealand, August 23 at 0609, 0658, so it is (or was) all-night. Definite logs of KSVE are just as rare (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. What is this? Friday night I'm monitoring 1700 kHz when I see some code pop up on 1711 kHz. It translated to 4PDF. First was a tone, then the morse code. While I was looking at the spectrum I also noticed XPE on 1769 and 4YCG on 1740 kHz. It seemed like these would transmit every two minutes or so. I've never noticed this before.

What are they? The ability to see a broad range of spectrum made this possible, otherwise I'd never have know this stuff was up there. I now have a flag aimed SSE up and running. It's 25 feet long by 10 feet high and the gain is about the same as on my 40 foot long by 13 foot tall bi-directional thing (Mike Bugaj, Enfield, CT, Sept 23, WTFDA-AM via DXLD)

Quite possibly a fishnet beacon. Really nice catch (no pun intended!) See: http://www.genesisradio.com.au/VK2DX/fishnet.html
(Karl Zuk, N2KZ, ibid. via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

I've had literally 100 of these in the last year between 1711 and 2015 kHz spaced in 1.0 kHz channels. They transmit 2 or 3 IDs followed by dashes (Bill Hepburn, Grimsby Ont., ibid.)

They have been showing up in the 160 meter ham band also. 4OUL is on 1824 and 4OWJ on 1812. The devices used can be seen here: http://www.commercial-fishing.net/index.php?page=shop.product_details&flypage=flypage-ask.tpl&product_id=27&category_id=23&option=com_virtuemart&Itemid=26 Regards, (Fred Laun (K3ZO), Temple Hills, MD, ibid. via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD)

And from above, the spex, note the frequency range:

``Made of steel plate, gross weight 22 kgs, can stand shocks, vibrations and pressure, fully water proof.
Excellent floatability with minimum sway.
The glass fibre antenna pole is strong and water proof in two sections with total length 4m.
Frequency of transmitted radio waves between 1600 to 2850 kHz.
Effective range 220 km with transmission code of :40 sec emission 3 min-20 sec pause.
Power supply 36 pcs dry cell D-Cell battery's, with a service range of 60 miles (220 kms).
Comes with a steel painted foot or stainless steel foot (stainless most popular)`` (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 3324.889 and 3325, two signals here noted at 1035. Suspect the former is Palangkaraya and the latter is Bougainville (21 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp, 315í Beverage (BOG) at 330 , DXpedition at Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26 near Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD) So by 3325 he means 3325.000? (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 3915, R. Fly (tentative), 1106-1112 what sounded like studio W announcer interviewing M over phone. Heard for a few seconds at times between ham transmissions (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4840, AIR Mumbai??, Carrier came on at 2349:00 and noted over ToH. Heard possible music at 0006. Wiped out by WWCR when I rechecked at 0015 (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6925-USB, Sept 20 at 0519, weak piratical music, C&W sounds like Hank Williams or ilk; very poor (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6930-SSB, Sept 23 at 0344, some weak pirate music, ACI from uteblob on low side; still there at 0520 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. [continued from 12-38] Radio Pirata 7170 kHz: Pessoal, 7171 kHz chegando aqui pelo sul de Minas com sinal 33233. S„o 2047 UT e o tempo est· carregado. Muitos raios provocando est·tica. Como sempre, transmitindo MPB. Da vez anterior o sinal estava mais limpo. Ops: uma voz feminina acaba de anunciar: Globo FM (e mais alguma coisa

que n„o consegui copiar). Pelo visto est„o ``usurpando`` o sinal da emissora. Vou continuar ouvindo (Giuseppe S Cysneiros, Santa Rita do SapucaÌ-MG, Sept 20, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Confirmando, em 7170 kHz o sinal de ·udio È da Globo FM. Em intervalos, ouve-se uma voz feminina anunciando ``Globo FM a r·dio pop rock``. Eles alternam m˙sica estrangeira com brasileira. Acessei o sinal da Globo FM via internet e comprovei ser o mesmo sinal, apenas com a pequena defasagem entre um e outro o que È natural. S„o 2144 UT e a qualidade do sinal piorou significativamente (Giuseppe, Santa Rita do Sapucai-MG, ibid.)

Fiquei sabendo por fontes n„o confi·veis que a Anatel j· sabe a origem da fonte do sinal; assim que eu tiver uma informaÁ„o concreta repasso para a lista, pois n„o quero gerar especulaÁ¡es nem burburinho atoa. att, (Rafael Cunha, "zÈ ninguÈm", Belo Horizonte - MG, ibid.)

Muitos destes radioamadores est„o acompanhando o caso e a Globo na sede do Rio de Janeiro j· est· ciente desta possÌvel retransmiss„o clandestina. 73! (Fl·vio PY2ZX, ibid.)

Tomara que nunca consigam parar essa r·dio pirata em 7170. Eu optei pelas utilit·rias porque n„o tinha mais estÙmago para m˙sicas bregas, programas religiosos, e futebol das r·dios "legalizadas", alÈm de ouvir radioamadores: um massageando o ego do outro, principalmente nos 40 metros, que considero um lixo.

Tive o PRAZER de ouvir essa r·dio, em 7170, a qual me surpreendeu pela qualidade da programaÁ„o. M˙sicas excelentes e sem um exagero de propaganda. IncrÌvel, mas o "ilegal" est· mais interessante que o "legal". Exemplos:

Os 11 metros, mesmo com a maioria das pessoas sem indicativo, est· excelente, muitos assuntos interessantes e troca de informaÁ¡es. A tal faixinha, abaixo dos 7000 kHz, ontem mesmo fiquei horas ouvindo assuntos tÈcnicos, enquando nas rodadas na faixa legal, uma seÁ„o de idiotices, risadas e massageamento de egos.

Com isso n„o estou apoiando a pirataria. SÛ desejo que tais acontecimentos sirvam como protesto para uma programaÁ„o de radiodifus„o e radioamadorismo de mais qualidade. ParabÈns a radio em 7170!! ParabÈns a "faixinha" 40 metros. ParabÈns aos 11 metros. A melhor faixa de radioamadorismo!!! Que sirva de exemplo (Jo„o S Ara˙jo S„o Paulo - SP, ibid.)

Jo„o, As transmiss¡es piratas precisam ser espor·dicas para n„o serem "pegas". Com algum interesse, as autoridades poder„o facilmente detectar se onde vem essa transmiss„o. 73 (Carlos Felipe, ibid.)

Rafael e demais, N„o pretendo questionar a ilegalidade e incorreiÁ„o de tal transmiss„o (que È evidente) e tampouco a qualidade do que È encontrado nas faixas de radioamadores. Entretanto, gostaria muito de ver tal empenho no sentido de coibir transmissıes clandestinas em outras faixas do espectro de HF, incluindo v·rias porÁıes destinadas a outros serviÁos e povoadas inclusive por transmissıes notadamente provenientes de estaÁıes de radioamadores. Elas s„o muito mais invasoras que uma mÌsera transmiss„o em 7170 kHz atÈ mesmo porque a quantidade È muitÌssimo maior.

Quanto a Anatel, assim como a esmagadora maioria dos serviÁos fiscalizatÛrios em nosso paÌs ela nem de longe cumpre de forma minimamente a contento suas atribuiÁıes. E h· sim transmissıes do gÍnero que ocorrem em frequÍncias de serviÁos p˙blicos. H· pouco tempo atr·s, captei uma delas em 8855 kHz. Concordo que a legalidade seja respeitada, porÈm integralmente. 73 (Ivan Dias Jr, Sorocaba/SP, ibid.)

Esclarecimento importante: todos os logs sobre o caso 7170 MHz ser„o divulgados integralmente na coluna Loggings do ADX, assim como foram da Bangladesh Betar e demais derivados dos conflitos EtiÛpia/EritrÈ ia em 7 MHz pois, independente da origem e do informante, uma coisa È o registro tÈcnico da ocupaÁ„o no espectro como radioescuta, inclusive de significˌncia histÛrica-social. Outra coisa s„o as posiÁıes pessoais, comerciais e institucionais a respeito desta ocupaÁ„o. 73! (Fl·vio PY2ZX, ibid.)

Ara˙jo, saiba que essa "Ûtima programaÁ„o" e "sem exagero de propaganda" vem de uma "legalizada": r·dio GLOBO FM (Fl·vio PY2ZX, ibid.)

Gente, sintonizei a Tal r·dio 7170 kHz e gostaria de saber o seguinte: J· vi r·dios clandestinas em FM mas em OC È a 1™ que sintonizo, sÛ ja ouvi relatos. Esse transmissor n„o tem que ser muito grande para tal transmiss„o, n„o? Eu estou em Santa Luzia MG e escutei essa r·dio ontÈm com sinal excelente, ou ela estaria em MG mesmo? (Jefferson, ibid.)

Oi Jefferson, N„o precisa muito n„o. Um transmissor de 25w com uma antena NVIS (dipolo ou V invertido) consegue boa cobertura de uns 400 km durante maior parte do dia em 7 MHz. Pelos relatos, esta emiss„o vem do Sudeste (Huelbe Garcia, ibid.)

Duas probabilidades: 1* ele esta utilizando equipamento para radioamador, ent„o o transmissor n„o È grande!

2* pelo que li na lista, est· transmitindo programaÁ„o da Globo FM, ent„o ele est· na ·rea de alcance da Globo FM. Prov‡velmente na cidade

do Rio! (Diego Braga de Morais, ibid.)

Em OM chutar de onde parte as transmissıes È difÌcil, tenho amigos aqui da cidade que com 100 watts eu escuto baixo, como tem amigo no sul com 5 watts eu escuto bem. Sobre a r·dio que est· sendo transmitida, pode ser ser atÈ uma r·dio da China pois com a internet n„o existe mais radio local. Para comeÁar a ter noÁ„o de onde vem a transmiss„o, seria comparar a propagaÁ„o com a recepÁ„o da r·dio; o quÍ eu quero dizer È se determinado estado some junto com a r·dio ou se o r·dio escuta consegue escutar independente de propagaÁ„o. ft 73 (Ricardo FrÛes, ibid.)

Mas pode estar recebendo os sinais da Globo FM ou via web ou via antena parabÛlica (aberta ou n„o) ou mesmo a Globo local. Isso È muito f·cil hoje em dia (Jo„o Ricardo Bergamini, PY4TW, ibid.)

Ol· Eric, NÛs da moderaÁ„o prezamos pelo debate, as vezes acalorado, mas no fim n„o podemos excluir as mensagens pois fica parecendo censura simplesmente.

O Flavio alÈm de formaÁ„o na ·rea, e atuaÁ„o junto a Anatel e outros Ûrg„os, colabora com o DXCB j· faz muitos anos, e sua posiÁ„o È pela legalidade, o que em particular respeito muito o que n„o poderia deixar de ser diferente.

Mas a pr·tica da radioescuta, diferente do radioamadorismo onde h· formalidade, no aspecto legal, tem suas particularidades. Ontem por exemplo, enfrentei o grande vendaval na BR-101 onde fiquei parado devido a um acidente por mais de 3 horas ouvindo emissoras regionais em ondas curtas e sinceramente, meu interesse È conte˙do nas faixas.

J· existe uma infinidade de emissoras "legalizadas" re-transmitindo lixo e outras tantas gerando o seu prÛprio lixo e canÁando nÌquel dos incautos, e se nosso paÌs n„o fosse t„o corrupto como È, o dial do AM e FM se reduzira a poucas emissoras (geradoras de conte˙do prÛprio e redes de informaÁ„o).

Falar em pirataria na faixa de radioamadorismo È como falar em uma agulha no palheiro, infelizmente.

Dia desses em 5000 kHz eu acompanhei em SSB um culto religioso estilo Davi Miranda por mais de 30 minutos, atÈ gravei um trecho e pensei que fosse esp˙rio da IPDA mas ao final, o grupo se despediu usando codinomes. QuiÁa radioamadores, quiÁa pescadores (eu estava na praia ouvinto radio), de qualquer forma, ilegal.

Por isso, sempre existir· polÍmica quando envolvemos aspectos do radioamadorismo que acabam convergindo para o uso do espectro de RF.

Enfim, independente de ser radioamador ou radioescuta, o importante È expormos nossas opiniıes, dentro da argumentaÁ„o saud·vel.

Esse È o grande dilema da moderaÁ„o das listas (Sarmento Campos, ibid.) Continued! below under 7305:

UNIDENTIFIED. Re: R¡DIO LIVRE (?) ESCUTADO AS 19HS UT; MUSICA POPULAR BRASILEIRA AO INV…S DE 7170, AGORA 7305. SINAL 9 +20DB¥S. SIMPO 55555. (ANDERSON Assis de Oliveira, ITAUNA-MG, Sept 25, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Anderson e demais, … verdade! O sinal agora est· em 7305 kHz. AtÈ h· pouco eu n„o estava ouvindo devido uma forte interferÍncia na faixa. S„o 25:52 [SIC] UT. Agora cessou a interferÍncia e d· para concluir por um sinpo 44454. Continuam transmitindo MPB. Ser· que n„o v„o dar um basta nisso? Qual o interesse desse grupo ou pessoa? Desmoralizar quem? Para mim, basta! Eles que fiquem transmitindo o que quiserem. Forte 73 a todos (Giuseppe Cysneiros, Santa Rita do SapucaÌ-MG, Brasil, Sept 25, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. About the empty open carriers, I keep finding them. For example, at night -around 0300- 5085, and as I write it for you now on 7640, strong and clear but empty. Neither ham activity nor utility operations (Leonardo Santiago, MÈrida, Venezuela, UT Sept 21, YB80-KA33, Enviado desde mi BlackBerry de Movistar, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9380, Sound of Hope (presumed), 1233 just missed s/on. Getting a weak signal with M talk in what sounded like Chinese. Oddly was getting more audio with tuner bypassed. (22 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9490, Sept 21 at 0509, open carrier with some hum, still there at 0517, 0530, and with BFO I notice the carrier is slightly unstable. Hum sounds just like the one on 11995 for weeks, which is now missing, presumed GUIANA FRENCH, so QSY from there? But why, o why? Nothing is scheduled on 9490 between 0200 and 1100 in HFCC, except Tibet (active?), and at 0600-0700 Algeria, certainly inactive, yea imaginary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) then 11995 back {9490 at 00-02 is now R. Republica via GUIANA FRENCH, so probably a separate case of forgetting to turn one of their transmitters off}

UNIDENTIFIED. 9595.449, Carrier hetting up against 9595 Japan here at 1125. 9595 was too strong and this was too weak to get any audio. AIR maybe?? (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15422 kHz, Chinese language outlet, seemingly SOH from Yangi Yul TAJIKISTAN noted in 1505-1513 UT slot Sept 25, S=7-8 signal here in Germany. Not jammed (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15739-SSB, Sept 26 at 1322, intermittent 2-way in Spanish (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15755, Sound of Hope??, M talking in definite Chinese-like language at 1224. Kind of weak. Gone by 1237 recheck, so must have gone off at 1230. (23 Sept.) 73, (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, NRD-535D and Perseus SDR Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15760, Again heard today Sept 25, seemingly SOH in Chinese in 13-1330 UT slot, endless fast talk by man and woman, noted at 1307-1309 UT Sept 25. S=8 signal in Germany. But no jamming at all (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 19755-SSB, Sept 21 at 1354, 2-way in Spanish, one station much stronger than others. Nice to hear anything at all in the 19 MHz range, and these are always suspectful as poachers or drug importers, but here, cannot be denounced as intruders (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 26050: one to watch out for and I have no idea where it`s coming from, but the language seems Greek, so possibly a pirate and nothing I can see on the web about it and I was receiving it for a couple of hours and no talk was heard. Propagation at the time was a mixed bag, i.e. very strong USA up to 30 MHz and Middle East as well
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sDJ-6lPn_IQ
73 (David Hamilton, Ayrshire, Scotland, 2001 UT Sept 26, ODXA yg via DXLD)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED THIS WEEK ON WORLD OF RADIO 1636:
Thanks to another regular supporter, Martin H Gallas, who contributed via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com (gh)

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

A generous contribution from Keith F Garcia, Los Angeles, check to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702.
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Thanks to another, anonymous via PayPal, $50. I mention the amount only in such cases (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

DX-PEDITIONS
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21 September 2012: Decided to try a micro-DXpedition this morning. I was disappointed with the propagation. LAs were quite poor. The Myanmar stations/frequencies were hardly audible. The PNGs were the only saving grace. I wouldn't quite say they were good, but they were fairly good. 3235 and 3260 were best. At 330 , the BOG was actually situated perfectly for reception of both Pacific and Asia. Pacific was much much better. So I don't know if it had to do with propagation or if the antenna just needed to be laid out in a more northerly direction.

RX: Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp.
ANT: 315' Beverage (BOG) at 330 . [beverage on the ground]
QTH: Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26
Duration: 0850-1200 UT
Solar Indices: Solar Flux = 117 A Index = 9 K Index = 2, No storms.
WX:, Partly to mostly cloudy. Mid-50's.
(Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD) His logs from this location are attributed as such above, vs. the ones from his home location (gh)

ANOTHER GREAT SOUTH AFRICAN DXPEDITION

http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/seefontein_2012_08.dx
(John Plimmer, Montagu, Cape Province, South Africa
South 33 d 47 m 32 s, East 20 d 07 m 32 s
Icom IC-7600, Drake SW8. Sangean 803A, Redsun RP2100, Sony 7600D, GE SRIII, Grundig G8, Eton E100, Tecsun PL660, Antenna's RF Systems DX 1 Pro Mk II, Kiwa MW Loop.
http://www.dxing.info/about/dxers/plimmer.dx mwdx yg via DXLD)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY See NEW ZEALAND; RUSSIA!
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DX CLUBE DO BRASIL PROMOVE O 1∫ DIA DA ESCUTA

O DX Clube do Brasil ñ DXCB - estar· promovendo o 1∫ Dia da Escuta no prÛximo dia 21 de Outubro de 2012 em comemoraÁ„o ao seu 31∫ anivers·rio de fundaÁ„o a ser comemorado no dia 17 de Outubro.

Poder„o participar todos os radioescutas e dexistas que estiverem inscritos na Lista Radioescuta mantida pelo DX Clube do Brasil. O evento ter· duraÁ„o de 24 horas e ter· inÌcio a 00h00 do dia 21 de

Outubro encerrando-se as 23h59 do mesmo dia.

Os 3 participantes que obtiverem a maior pontuaÁ„o nos logs enviados receber„o um Diploma e os seguintes prÍmios oferecidos pelo DX Clube do Brasil:
ï 1∫ colocado: 1 Antena RGP-3 SW para ondas curtas
ï 2∫ colocado: 1 assinatura anual do boletim Atividade DX (ou renovaÁ„o se o ganhador j· for assinante)
ï 3∫ colocado: 1 camiseta polo e 1 bonÈ do DXCB

Todos os participantes receber„o um Certificado de ParticipaÁ„o emitido pelo DX Clube do Brasil. Para maiores detalhes consulte o site do DX Clube do Brasil: http://www.ondascurtas.com/

Conselho Executivo, DX Clube do Brasil, Setembro de 2012 (Ulysses Galletti, Radioescuta: PY2 70065, Radioamador: PY2UAJ, Sept 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ulysses asked me to publicize this, altho it seems to be only for members of the radioescutas yg (gh) See also REUNION

MUSEA
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Crusin' [sic]

Many of the amazing " Crusin' " series of US radio program recreations can now be found on You Tube. For example there is an excellent example of KLIF in 1962 at
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sg-rsM8KRZU&feature=relmfu
this station was a precurser for much of the Mid-Atlantic format of UK 60s offshore station Radio London. It`s a great 42 minute duration recording.

There are many more rock and roll stations from the 50s and 60s at this link; it`s a real education for those like me in the UK who did not hear US domestic radio. So many great records (and presenters) that we never heard this side of the Pond until into the 60s when offshore radio brought our radio revolution (Mike Terry, Sept 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

``This video contains content from WMG, SME, UMG, EMI, The Harry Fox Agency, Inc. (HFA), Warner Chappell, Sony ATV Publishing, IODA, The Orchard Music and EMI Music Publishing, one or more of whom have blocked it in your country on copyright grounds (via B-T-M, ibid.)

Same message here --- ef Vancouver BC (Eric FlodÈn, ibid.)

Sorry, but the clip of KLIF is blocked in my country due to rights!
73, (Erik Koie, Copenhagen, ibid.)

Time to go offshore, again? 73s (Andy Lawendel, Italy, ibid.)

Try this:
http://leemichaelwithers.tripod.com/cruisin.htm
(Mike Terry, ibid.)

Thank you, Andrea & Mike - But this site has no audio. But a lot of commercials popping up. 73, (Erik Koie, ibid.)

There must be a way, the recordings are on LPs and CDs so may be on Spotify etc. (Mike Terry, ibid.)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV see also USA: WSMV/WTVF+
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AUCTIONING TV BROADCAST SPECTRUM

The FCC has announced a tentative agenda for its September 28 open meeting. The hot item is the possible adoption of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making to implement the incentive auction of TV broadcast spectrum.
http://tinyurl.com/IncentiveAuctionDetails

REPACKING THE TV STATIONS

Missing from the FCC's plan to discuss TV spectrum incentive auctions is any explanation of how the agency came up with the 40% figure for its Allotment Optimization Model, writes Deborah D. McAdams. "Broadcasters and the public deserve to know ... [j]ust how was it determined that 1,800 full-power TV stations and thousands of low-power stations and translators could share 120 MHz of spectrum," McAdams writes.
http://tinyurl.com/40-Percent-Less-Spectrum

OTHER FCC NEWS: Meanwhile, T-Mobile says the reclaimed TV spectrum will not be enough. No surprise there:
http://tinyurl.com/GiveUsMoreSpectrum-More
(CGC Communicator Sept 24 via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also BANGLADESH; GERMANY; ITALY;
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PROMUEVEN EL DRM EN BRASIL

Tendr· lugar el prÛximo lunes 1 de octubre de 2012, en la ciudad de

San Pablo, un evento especial destinado a la difusiÛn de la plataforma Radio Digital Mondiale en Brasil. El encuentro se desarrollar· en el Hotel Blue Tree Paulista Premium, de 10 a 14 horas, contando con el apoyo del Consorcio DRM internacional y sus pares locales de DRM Brasil. Mayor informaciÛn en:
http://www.drmradio.com.ar
(Jorge Villavicencio para DRM Radio Argentina (c) 2012, Sept 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC see MEXICO
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RADIO WORLD: TEST STATION CHOSEN FOR ALL-DIGITAL TRIAL

http://www.radioworld.com/article/test-station-chosen-for-all-digital-trial/215567
(via Allan Dunn, K1UCY, NRC-AM via DXLD)

But, but, the article still doesn`t identify the station! Meanwhile, check out the contrarian comments appended (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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NEW SHACK SET UP

I have the opportunity to design a new shack from the ground up taking advantage of empty space in the basement. Looking for suggestions, opinions etc., as to what to include in the new area. Any ideas for equipment, wiring, storage layouts etc. would be most appreciated. I anticipate the room being approx. 14 x 14 [feet?] with only one basement window to work with. Thanks in advance to anyone who cares to make a suggestion. 73's (Steve Wood, Harwich, Mass., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Steve, It's always nice to start with a clean sheet of paper! I would suggest that you start by listing the activities that will take place in the shack. List everything that you can think of --- SWL, ham radio, scanning, AM/FM, building / repairing, etc.

Once you get it all down, you can start to prioritize the pieces that are most frequently important, and begin to organize each space according to what takes place there, as well as what equipment you have or plan to have in the future. Some places might be better than others for routing cables, electrical service, etc. It's handy to be able to group things together that will be used together, i.e. HF radio and computer for logging. Workbench and tools, etc. Things seem to go more smoothly when all of the pieces for a given activity are accessible within easy reach and comfortable viewing. Here's a

discussion about a ham radio shack that you might find useful:
http://www.eham.net/articles/14732
Good Luck, (Mike Gorniak, Braham, MN, ibid.)

Lay everything out on graph paper. Cut desks, chairs (Including rolling space, a chair is 30 inches wide and 48 to 54 inches deep.), tables, and other stuff to scale and move them around in your space until you find something that works. Leave some room for expansion -- we all buy new stuff from time to time. Do the same thing for stuff on the walls. If you put the bulletin board there and shelving over here, will the wall clock fit, too? And, the same for flat surfaces: The radio(s), with operating room; computer, monitor, mouse space, keyboard space, tape recorder, and space for crap. Don't log electronically? Then you need space to hold your log book and the keyboard at the same time. (This is why I switched to taking notes electronically; I could not figure out how to do both nearly simultaneously.)

Clock note: While they work on the first floor, atomic clocks that use WWVB do not work in my basement. Be sure that they work in yours.

Clean power direct from the main panel is always nice. (When I can, I split a 240 line into 120, as is done in double-duplex outlets in kitchens.)

For those of us still using a land line, bring a phone line to your listening post. Can you hear the door bell when you are in the basement with headphones on? If not, maybe parallel the door bell to the basement, too.

To hold down the electrical noise, consider separately-switched incandescent fixtures rather than fluorescent fixtures (Wear a ball cap to cut down on the glare).

Remember a ground rod. The green wire is an electrical ground, not a radio ground. Keep the ground path short. Consider drilling a hole through the basement floor near the outside wall, where the soil should be moist, driving the rod, and then sealing between the ground rod and the concrete with a quality sealant/caulking.

Is it heated and cooled? Extending a duct a few feet could create a more comfortable place. In almost any climate, the floor will be relatively cold. One solution is placing a false floor under and in front of your desk/table. Lay a sheet of 6 mil polyethylene on the floor to prevent the moisture that _will_ move through the concrete floor slab from saturating everything.

Then lay pressure-treated 2x3's flat at 12" o.c. with extruded

polystyrene board between the studs. Cover with plywood (Not OSB! OSB swells when it get damp.) and some carpet squares. Your feet will be much more comfy.

If you are going to hang shelves on the foundation wall, avoid drilling into concrete block walls. Instead, frame a false 2x4 wall and hang the shelves from that. (Also, if you are in a cold climate, there will be less cold air rolling off the walls.)

Finally, where are you going to put the mini-fridge and the microwave? (Ron Hunsicker, 1238 Cleveland Avenue, Wyomissing, PA 19610-2102, 610-478-0371, NASWA yg via DXLD)

Make sure you can get in back of your desk - rack set up so you can do changes. In my first set-up as shown on Buckmaster and qrz.com pics I made the mistake of having racks up against the wall. A bear to work on for changes. I just redid the whole mess and will have pics available soon. 73, (Bill, WA2DVU Riches, Cape May, NJ, ibid.)

If you have slider windows (as opposed to casement) I find the MFJ-4600 series of window feed-throughs are good for a professional looking installation without having to butcher the window or frame. I use the MFJ-4601 which has 6 PL-259 jacks and a ground terminal. (Mark Coady, also in a new radio shack, ibid.)

FLYING WITH A RADIO

I'm about to fly to DC and I haven't been on a plane in a while. How easy is it to travel with a radio these days? (Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville, Georgia, Proudly Serving You Since 1964, ABDX via DXLD)

No hassle. Going through the TSA checkpoint I take my 2010 out of my carry-on bag, as if it were a laptop. Don't pack a lot of batteries; buy them when you get to your destination. 73 (Tim Hall, Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry, ibid.)

I frequently fly, and fly with radios. I always have them on my person, and not in the luggage. They never seem to bat an eye, Ira. They're more interested, it seems, in laptops. If they ask, I just say that it's a radio (usually modified with a larger ferrite rod) (Walt Salmaniw, BC, IRCA via DXLD)

As long as you don't tell anyone and ignore the warning not to use one above 10,000 feet you will have absolutely no problems. Better yet, buy from Best Buy their Insignia HD radio puck. It is so low profile it looks like an iPod/mp3 player and will attract zero attention. The display even dims after 10 seconds so the radio frequency isn't displayed. Oh, and best of all - it's an incredibly good radio for

under $50!

Wow, even better. I just checked and the HD puck is on sale for $37.99! I should buy a spare or two...
http://www.bestbuy.com/site/Insignia%26%23153%3B---HD-Radio-Portable-Player/9375071.p?id=1218094581941&skuId=9375071
(Bill Nollmann, WTFDA-AM via DXLD)

DXER HEADPHONES?

I always use headphones when DXing, but my old cheap pair have finally given out. I'd like to upgrade to a nice quality pair of headphones and would like to get recommendations from the group. Qualities important to me include:

-Sound quality when digging out weak signals.
-Comfort during long listening sessions.
-Preferably priced under $100.
-Integrated volume control in the cord if possible.
-Decent attenuation of outside noise, though I don't think I need a noise canceling type.
-Quality construction.

Any recommendations would be appreciated. Thanks!
(Tim Tromp, West Michigan, ABDX via DXLD)

The Koss Pro4AA is exactly what you want and have a retail price of $99 Bucks. 73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ, ibid.)

If you`re just using them for DX, they don't need to be audiophile quality. I just use an old Sony $40 pair. Anything on the market halfway reasonable should do [if] it`s mostly going to be speech. Also keep in mind different radios have different output levels from the headphone jack and not all radios will drive all headphones the same. But spending over $100 just for speech is a bit much unless you multi-purpose the headphones for serious music listening (Starship20012001, ibid.)

TESTING MY K9 (logs included [above])!

Dears friends, I'm at my seventh day of testing a K9AY, and you can call me crazy but, in a way, I feel like I had no radio gear before! Read (and hear) on my blog:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/ix1ckn/2012/09/my-first-five-k9ay-days/

The story, obviously, includes logs for the last seven days. Hope in your comments: they're always useful! Ciao, (Chris Diemoz, Italy, Sept 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO BUSINESS OF THOMSON BROADCAST BECOMES AMPEGON

Dear all, We are very pleased to announce today that Thomson Broadcast Radio Business (Turgi, Schifferstadt, Beijing and Sales Office in Melbourne) as a group will be renamed as ìAmpegonî.

Ampegon will present its technologies and skills for Radio Transmission Systems, Antenna Systems, Scientific Applications and Green Technologies from November 2012 onwards. The people, the knowhow, the product portfolio will remain, the name will change to symbolize the marketing power of the companies.

Please see more details in the attached press release. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

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(via Ben Dawson, DXLD) Viz.:

Thomson Broadcast Radio Business to be renamed as Ampegon: Traditional market leading companies will cover the world market under new name

Turgi, September 25, 2012. To enhance the global presence under one strong brand three Thomson Broadcast companies will be merged under the new name Ampegon, creating a powerful and market leading group. Ampegon will serve the global Radio Transmission markets including Scientific Applications and Green Technologies with a complete product range tailored to all needs of their customers.

Offering its innovative and pioneering spirit with expertise of a century, Ampegon products stand for highest quality, reliability and best performance.

Ampegon will consist of the former Thomson Broadcast companies in Turgi (Switzerland), Schifferstadt (Germany), Beijing (China) and Sales office in Melbourne (Australia).

The name Ampegon describes the roots as well as the future oriented contributions of the three companies. AMP stands both for Amplifiers with an extensive application range and AM transmission. MPEG too is

part of the new name to illustrate the unique positioning of Ampegon in the digital broadcast world. ON symbolizes switching on the power of a strong and competent group.

Thomson Broadcast SAS, France and Thomson Broadcast LLC, USA which mainly cover the TV broadcast segment remain independent entities and continue operations under the Thomson Broadcast brand.

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(via Ben Dawson, DXLD)

Glenn, Another triumph of marketing-speak (bfd3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LOCAL HISTORY: EERIE VOICE IN SKY GREETS AKRON IN 1927 - HISTORY -

Somewhere in the darkness, high above the glow of the city, a distant voice rang out from the clouds. ìGood evening, ladies and gentlemen of the radio audience,î it crackled. ìThis is Graham McNamee.î

World history was made in Akron on a chilly night in September 1927. Technically, world history was made over Akron. New York announcer Graham McNamee (1888-1942), the most famous personality in early radio, became the first man to broadcast from an airship.

The exciting stunt was sponsored by the Akron Times-Press and Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in conjunction with the second annual Akron Radio Show at the Akron Armory. . .
http://www.ohio.com/lifestyle/history/local-history-eerie-voice-in-sky-greets-akron-in-1927-1.335213
(via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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[re 12-39, we can now provide the abstract to that linked PhD thesis]

CHARACTERIZING RADIO CHANNELS: THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF PROPAGATION AND INTERFERENCE, 1900-1935 --- by Chen-Pang Yeang

Submitted to the Program in the History and Social Study of Science and Technology on September 1, 2004 in Partial Fulfillment of the

Requirement for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the History and Social Study of Science and Technology

ABSTRACT

Guglielmo Marconi's trans-Atlantic wireless experiment in 1900 marked the beginning of a communication revolution that transformed the open space above the earth into channels of information flow. This dissertation grapples with the historical conditions that gave rise to such a transformation: the studies of radio-wave propagation and the treatments of radio interferences in early twentieth-century America and Western Europe.

The part on propagation examines the debate between the surface diffraction theory and the atmospheric reflection theory for long waves, the development of the ionic refraction theory for short waves, the evidential quests for the existence of the ionosphere, and the studies of the geomagnetic effects on propagation.

The part on interferences focuses on the engineering efforts toward the characterization of atmospheric noise and signal-intensity fluctuations, the policies of radio-channel allocation for fighting man-made interference, and the scientific research into electronic tube noise. By the mid-30s, the results from these endeavors had considerably improved the quality of radio communication.

Characterizing Radio Channels builds a bridge between the history of science and the history of technology by inspecting an immaterial engineering entity - radio channels - whose control required significant scientific research. In the history of science, it contributes to an integrated study of electrical physics and geophysics. In the history of technology, it enriches radio history, epistemology of engineering knowledge, consumer studies, and the studies of technological policies.

Combining both fields with the concept of radio channels enables a new understanding of the historical conditions that made the information society and the social factors that facilitated the modern research organizations in academia, industry, governments and the military.

Thesis Supervisor: David A. Mindell. Title: Dibner Associate Professor of the History of Engineering and Manufacturing (via gh, DXLD)

CHANCES TO SEE NORTHERN LIGHTS RAISED BY FALL EQUINOX SATURDAY [sic]

Here's how to get the best viewing as the aurora-watching season cranks up: . . .If your newspaper, radio or TV reports that shortwave radio communications have been disturbed or interrupted, and

especially if they say this had to do with something happening on the sun, or if you're a trucker and notice unusual skip conditions on your CB radio, then, that night, the next night and even the next, get out away from city lights and look up toward the north. . .
http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/49106930/ns/technology_and_science-space/#.UF5gj65ImSo
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Long article about aurorae and how to observe them, but never explains WHY they are twice as prevalent around the equinoxes. Obviously what season it is on part of Earth is of no concern to the Sun and what it exudes. It must have something to do with the orientation of the earth and susceptibility of the geomagnetic field to such disturbances which are happening irregularly and reaching earth at any time regardless of season (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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SOLAR & GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY FORECAST FOR SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 11

Solar activity will be rise from 100 - 140 s.f.u. in next week, depending on present active regions on solar disc (high about September 28). Occurrence of C class and probably some M class is expected.

Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on September 24 - 26, October 6 - 8
mostly quiet on September 23, 27
quiet to unsettled on September 28 - 29 October 4 - 5, 9 - 11
quiet to active on September 30, October 1, 3,
active to disturbed on October 2.

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on October 1 - 2.

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PROPAGATION REPORTS

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, in South Africa reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Only a few sunspot regions are currently visible. For further information please visit
http://www.spaceweather.co.za/

K7RA in the US reports that average daily sunspot numbers dropped this week, from 83.1 in the September 6-12 week, to 56 in the recent

September 13-19 period. Average daily solar flux declined from 118.9 to 101.4.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation
(via Mike terry, Sept 23, dxldyg via DXLD)

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels during the week, with minor storm levels observed at high latitudes on all but the first and last days. The week began with the geomagnetic field at quiet to unsettled levels. Geomagnetic field activity increased to active levels late on the 19th when a corotating interaction region (CIR) became geoeffective. A coronal hole high speed stream followed on the 20th bringing mostly quiet to unsettled conditions. Between the 19th and the 20th, the solar sector changed from positive to negative, consistent with the geoeffective coronal hole polarity. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft fluctuated between 600 and 400 km/s between the 20th and 21st, before beginning a slow decline late on the 21st. Solar wind speed by the end of the week had dropped to about 350 km/s. The Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field reached its maximum of approximately -11 nT late on the 19th with the arrival of the CIR.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 24 SEPT-20 OCT 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with an increasing chance for moderate activity during the first two weeks of the period as active regions rotate onto the visible disk. A slight chance for a proton event exists due to potential activity associated with returning regions from 24 September through 08 October. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 8-9 October and again on 17-18 October.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to remain mostly at quiet to unsettled levels except for 3-5 October, 09-10 October, and 16-17 October when recurrent coronal hole high speed streams are expected to bring a chance for active levels.

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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2012 Sep 24	135	5	2
2012 Sep 25	140	5	2
2012 Sep 26	145	5	2
2012 Sep 27	145	5	2
2012 Sep 28	150	5	2
2012 Sep 29	150	5	2
2012 Sep 30	145	5	2
2012 Oct 01	140	5	2
2012 Oct 02	135	5	2
2012 Oct 03	130	10	3
2012 Oct 04	130	8	3
2012 Oct 05	130	8	3
2012 Oct 06	125	5	2
2012 Oct 07	125	5	2
2012 Oct 08	120	5	2
2012 Oct 09	115	8	3
2012 Oct 10	115	8	3
2012 Oct 11	120	5	2
2012 Oct 12	115	5	2
2012 Oct 13	115	5	2
2012 Oct 14	120	5	2
2012 Oct 15	120	8	3
2012 Oct 16	130	12	3
2012 Oct 17	140	10	3
2012 Oct 18	140	5	2
2012 Oct 19	145	5	2
2012 Oct 20	150	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1636, DXLD) ###